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GERMANY'S ATTEMPT TO ALIGN MEXICO AND JAPAN IN HOSTILE CONSPIRACY AGAINST U. S. FRUSTRATED

American Officials Believe Letter Instigating Plot Did Not Reach Carranza Or Japan

Washington, D. C., March 1.—Germany's attempt to align Mexico and Japan in a hostile conspiracy against the United States has been frustrated.

At the state department today, it was intimated that so far as is known the letter of Germany's foreign secretary, Zimmerman, the authority of which was vouched for by President Wilson, personally, to the senate today, never reached President Carranza. Being thus intercepted it was never passed on to Japan. While the federal authorities admit that they are not positive that the document was held in this country, they had no reason to believe that it ever reached the German minister, Eckhardt, at Mexico City.

Attention is called to the fact that in the instructions Zimmerman stipulated that Eckhardt should only broach the matter to President Carranza as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States. "It is pointed out that this certainty had not developed at the time Ambassador Bernstorff left this country."

Doubt as to the authenticity of the Zimmerman letter, voiced in the senate early today, because of its text being first become public through the press was quickly dispelled by Senator Swanson, who made a formal statement announcing that the president had authorized him to say the published text was substantially correct.

That the Japanese government would not consider any proposition such as that advocated by Secretary for Foreign Affairs Zimmerman in his Mexican-Japanese plot "note" was the conviction expressed by Secretary Lansing today.

LANSING EXPRESSES CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENTS

Lansing authorized the following statement:

"The department does not believe that Japan has had any knowledge of this or that she would consider any proposition made by an enemy."

Lansing also expressed belief that one Mexican government would also ignore such proposition. He said:

"We have confidence that Mexico would not become a party to it in view of the friendly relations between this country and the de facto government."

While withholding discussion of the sources of the government's information on the German plot, lest "some one's life be endangered," the state department did admit that it has full evidence of the plot, that the Zimmerman note had reached Ambassador Von Bernstorff here and that it also had reached the German minister in Mexico. Doubt was expressed that General Carranza himself had ever seen the communication or been informed of its contents owing to the fact that the plot was not actually to take form except

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JAPAN RENEWS FRIENDSHIP WITH U. S.

Washington, March 1.—Pledging continued friendship to the United States and continuance of its relations with the allies, the Japanese embassy this afternoon issued a formal statement declaring that "under no circumstances" would the Japanese government entertain such "an invitation" as Germany attempted to send to Tokio.

The statement read:

"With regard to the alleged German attempt at inducing Japan and Mexico to make war upon the United States, made public in the press this morning, the Japanese embassy while lacking information as to whether such invitation ever reached Tokio desires to state most emphatically that any invitation of this sort would in no circumstances be entertained by the Japanese government, which is in entire accord and close relations with the allied powers on account of formal agreement and common causes and moreover whose friendship with the United States is every day growing in sincerity and cordiality."

LETTER REVEALING PLOT AGAINST UNITED STATES

Washington, D .C., March 1.—A letter, forming the basis of Germany's plotting forwarded from Berlin, January 19, via Count Bernstorff, for the German envoy, Von Eckhardt, at Mexico City, said:

"On the first of February we intend to begin submarine warfare unrestricted. In spite of this, it is our intention to endeavor to keep the United States of America neutral. If this attempt is not successful we propose an alliance on the following basis with Mexico: That we shall make war together and peace together. We shall give general financial support and it is understood that Mexico is to re-conquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. The details are left to you for settlement. You are instructed to inform the president of Mexico of the above in the greatest confidence as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States and suggest that the president of Mexico on his own initiative should communicate with Japan suggesting adherence at once to this plan, at the same time offering to mediate between Germany and Japan. Please call to the attention of the president of Mexico that the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months."

"ZIMMERMAN."

U-BOAT WAR KILLS TWO CHICAGO WOMEN

Mrs. Mary Hoy and her daughter.

Mrs. Mary Hoy of Chicago and her daughter are the latest American victims of Germany's ruthless submarine warfare. They were passengers on the torpedoed liner Laconia, and died from exposure on one of the lifeboats.

ROCHESTER MAKES SAFE VOYAGE

Bordeaux, March 1—The American steamer Rochester safely arrived at the mouth of the Gironde river early today, having passed through the submarine zone.

Waverly Visitor.

Charles Vallery of Waverly was a business visitor in Portsmouth, Wednesday.

Food Probe Fund Stricken From Senate Bill

Washington, D. C., March 1.—The $400,000 appropriation, passed by the house, for a nation-wide food investigation by the federal trade commission today was stricken from the sundry civil bill by the senate appropriation committee on the grounds of economy.

German Consulate Robbed

El Paso, Texas, March 1.—The German consulate at Juarez was robbed last night and all government papers belonging to Consul Max Weber, taken, it was announced today.

WILSON STANDS FLATLY BEHIND THE SENATE BILL

Washington, March 1.—President Wilson has informed congress that he stands flatly behind the senate bill granting him full powers and a vote of credit to handle the international situation. This was made known at the White House following reports that the president approves the house bill which greatly modifies his request. The president will sign the measure only when it conforms with his full desires and for that reason he is putting all of the administration strength behind the bill, drawn by the senate committee.

English Town Is Bombarded

London, March 1.—Lord French, commanding home defense forces, reported the injury of one woman in the bombardment of Broadstairs today by hostile aeroplanes. Broadstairs was bombarded last week by German destroyers.

SENATE KILLS INDIANA EXCISE TAX MEASURE

Indianapolis, Ind., March 1.—The excise tax bill was killed by the senate today by a vote of twenty-nine to eighteen. The measure had been strongly advocated by Governor Goodrich and administration leaders.

Describes Mysterious Movements Of Three Carranzistas In Japan

New York, March 1.—In view of the disclosures of Germany's attempt to align Mexico and Japan with Germany in an alliance against America, a story written by a Tokio correspondent January 12, and sent by mail, takes on a new significance today. The story told of the "mysterious" movements, in Japan of three Carranzistas.

In view of today's disclosures, it appears probable these three Mexicans may have been agents of the Carranza government seeking to "sound" Japan on the alliance proposition. Although the story is dated January 12, seven days before the German foreign secretary dispatched a formal note to the German minister in Mexico City committing Germany's scheme to writing in a diplomatic document, it is safe to assume Germany made some preliminary "soundings" of Mexico before

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BLAME PLACED ON U. S. BY GERMANY

Berlin via wireless to the United Press, March 1.—If the United States decides the sinking of the Cunard liner Laconia is a cause of war, Germany will regard responsibility for the conflict as resting upon Washington.

In well informed circles it was stated today that Germany, having warned all neutral countries, that all ships in the war zone would be sunk without warning, it is the fault of neutrals if their ships are sunk in this danger zone.

Zimmerman Letter Faked, Says A German Editor

New York, March 1.—"The letter is unquestionably a brazen forgery, planted by British agents to stampede us into an alliance and to justify violations of the Monroe doctrine by Great Britain," was the statement of George

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Activity Of Swiss Minister Is Annoying To Uncle Sam

Washington, D. C., March 1.—Accumulation of annoying activities of Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister to the United States and Germany's indirect representative here, has tended to put him in the same near-persona non grata class in which German Ambassador Von Bernstorff several times found himself following his propaganda schemes of the last two years.

While government heads refused to comment officially on the matter, some privately admit that the administration is coming to believe that Dr. Ritter not only inherited Von Bernstorff's diplomatic work here, but that he has taken up as well certain German propaganda work that may force a flat show-down between him and the state department.

The first evidence of this sort of work was Dr. Ritter's dissemination of reports that Germany was anxious for a German-American conference at which all points at issue between the two nations could be discussed.

This propaganda work was started exactly one week after severance of German-American relations.

What chiefly incensed Secretary Lansing and President Wilson was the fact that Dr. Ritter made his "peace conference" suggestions to newspaper men several hours before the state department had any idea of them. It was learned today that his hurried trip to the state department within a few hours after he "permitted" the "peace conference" news to go through the press was in response to an "urgent request" that he call on Secretary Lansing.

It is understood that his plan—Germany later announced it emanated from Ritter himself and not from the German foreign office—met with such a brusque rebuff that it fell absolutely flat.

Officials believed that the plan, by the very nature of the way it was made public, was an appeal over government officials heads to the people, chiefly the pacifist element, to urge such a conference.

The latest bit of obvious German propaganda work by Dr. Ritter came yesterday, when he—once more through the press—let it be known that Germany proposed to detain five American consular officers until Germany was assured all her consular officers and other officials, were not being held up by this government.

Diplomacy required that Ritter communicate this to the state department. Diplomatic ethics, at least, also required that Ritter leave it to the state department or another branch of this government to publish the fact.

Although Secretary Lansing refused absolutely to comment on the case, he plainly showed resentment at Dr. Ritter's action and it was later learned that the department is investigating the question.

"Bobbie" Is Home

Robert E. Lewis, who is employed in the state automobile department in Columbus, arrived here last night on a visit to his family.

Senate Considers Inquiry On Authenticity Of Letter; House Takes Up 'Arms' Bill

Washington, D. C., March 1.—Amidst applause from various parts of the chamber the house this afternoon adopted a rule for consideration of the armed neutrality bill by a unanimous viva voce vote.

A war strain ran beneath the proceedings in both the house and senate.

Shortly before the house took up the armed neutrality bill, debate was in progress in the senate on a resolution presented by Senator Lodge inquiring as to the authenticity of the published text of the German letter seeking to align Mexico and Japan against the United States. The resolution was referred to the committee on foreign relations and the senate then took up discussion of the naval bill with constant references to the international situation.

Democrats resented the insinuation that the inquiry would die in committee.

Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, suggested that if the president himself had presented the information of Germany's plotting to the senate, it might have been construed as equivalent to a request for war action by congress. As the information was first published, he held that should the president now officially give the full facts, the action could not be construed as a request for war, unless such a request should be specifically expressed.

After more than an hour's consideration, the senate foreign relations committee this afternoon agreed to report out the Lodge resolution in substantially the form presented by Lodge.

That it would pass the senate appeared certain.

The committee, however, removed the La Follette amendment, asking how long the government had possessed the Zimmerman letter.

DEMANDS EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., March 1.—Senator Norris, independent Republican, indicated on the floor this afternoon he will insist upon "full and complete" discussion of all appropriation bills yet to be passed.

This means, if Norris carries out his threat, that there will be an an extra session of congress. There are at least six big appropriation measures to be acted upon.

Following Norris, Senator Thomas, Colorado, Democrat, demanded an extra session.

"This may prove to be the greatest crisis this country has ever faced. It is the duty of congress to be here in their seats."

Senator Hitchcock introduced the committee report on the Lodge resolution shortly before three p. m.

Chairman Stone, always inclined to pacifism, decided not to present the committee report himself, so Senator Hitchcock undertook the task. Stone had an amendment ready to introduce when the measure should reach the senate floor, but refused to reveal its nature in advance.

This situation indicated that Stone was opposed to the resolution on personal grounds, and not that he had heard anything

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Chillicothe, O., March 1.—Dr. W. H. Silbaugh, secretary of the Ross County Medical Association, was instantly killed today by a shot gun, which accidentally discharged while he was placing it in his auto in the garage at his home.

The Young Lady Across The Way

We asked the young lady across the way how her father's trial was coming on and she said she hadn't the slightest fear that he would be exculpated.

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SHIP ASHORE

Norfolk, Va., March 1—Pounded with terrific seas which threatened any minute to break her up the American steamer Raven was ashore today half a mile south of Bodie Island.

Unusually thick weather and the seas made it impossible for life savers to reach the helpless steamer.

Turks Closely Pursued By the Victorious British

London, March 1.—Cavalry and gunboats are continuing the pursuit of beaten Turkish troops retreating from Kut-El-Amara, the official statement from the Mesopotamian front today said. Six guns, three mortars, eight mine throwers and thirty pontoons, in addition to a large river vessel, were captured in Tuesday's fighting. Much bridge and other material also has fallen into the hands of the British troops.

PRESS OPINION ON PLOT EXPOSURE

Editorial comment on the German-American crisis following the exposure of a German plot to align Japan and Mexico against the U. S. follows:

INDIANA DAILY TIMES: "It seems that at last the whole country is compelled to awaken to the stubborn fact that whereas for more than two years men have cried 'peace, peace,' there can be no peace. The United States has been in a state of war as to the teutonic allies since the Lusitania went down. Today we arrive at full knowledge that a state of war exists."

INDIANAPOLIS NEWS: "We hope that the pacifists will now realize that the time has at last come for action and that they will abandon their foolish efforts which, if they should succeed, would make this nation a vassal of Germany and put the stamp of approval on the Berlin conspiracy."

CLEVELAND PRESS: "Four separate and distinct times within a few weeks Germany has declared war on the United States. Confronted with this series of events the congress hesitates about giving the president the authority he asks. If there are too many such delays the result will be disastrous."

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Billy Buttin Times Weather Man

I'm a man of peace. I've said it before and I say it again. I've fit, bled and died for peace repeatedly since this fool war started, but, by heck! If we have to face that Mexican-Jap combination I'm in for cleanin' up on the whole bunch and doin' the job so thoroughly that the mere mention o' the name "America" will give 'em th' "buck ague" for generations to come. There's nothin' like havin' a reputation for doin' a good job. Here's for tomorrow:

Ohio—Generally fair tonight and Friday; warmer Friday.

West Virginia—Cloudy tonight; Friday fair.

Kentucky—Cloudy tonight. Friday fair, slightly warmer.

OBITUARY

S. M. Martin Funeral

V. E. Martin, fireman at the Seventh street engine house, and his family have returned from Cincinnati where they were called to attend the funeral of his father, S. M. Martin, who died Tuesday, February 20, and was buried Friday in Spring Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Susan Copeland

The Athens Messenger Tuesday said:

Mrs. Susan Copeland, 84, died yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cyrus Hoisington, near Fisher. Mrs. Copeland fell several days ago and fractured her hip. Death resulted within a few days.

Mrs. Copeland leaves two daughters, Mrs. Hoisington, with whom she lived, and Allie, of Portsmouth, and one son, John, of New England.

F. C. Yates Funeral

The funeral of F. C. Yates, N. & W. brakeman who sustained injuries Tuesday afternoon that resulted in his death at Hempstead hospital Wednesday morning, will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 from the home, 2530 Gallia street. Rev. Charles R. Oakley of the First Christian church will have charge of the last rites. Interment will be in Greenlawn.

Miss May Doerr

Word of the death Thursday morning of Miss May Doerr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al J. Doerr at the home of her parents in Columbus, was received by relatives. Miss Doerr, who was about 20 years of age, was a teacher in the public schools. She was ill with pleurisy only a short time. Besides her parents one sister, Miss Ruth, survives. The funeral services and burial will take place in Columbus, Sunday.

She was the granddaughter of Mrs. J. V. Doerr. Among other relatives in the city are: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Doerr, Mrs. Caroline Rowe and Chas. Doerr.

Mrs. Gus Booth

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walters have returned from Columbus where they were called by the death of her sister, Mrs. Gus Booth, who passed away last Thursday. Burial was made Monday. The deceased leaves her husband and two children.

Mrs. Ellen K. Warder

After an illness extending over a period of ten years Mrs. Ellen K. Warder, wife of George M. Warder, passed to the Great Beyond at her home, 3939 Rhodes avenue, New Boston, at 1:15 Thursday morning. Complications caused death.

The deceased was born in Mason county, Ky., her maiden name being Ellen K. Crawford. She spent most of her life in Lewis county, Ky., leaving Mason county when a girl. She came to Portsmouth in 1892 being married to George M. Warder, Jan. 11, 1892 at Bigelow church by Rev. B. L. Mackelroy. From marriage until death Mrs. Warder had made her home in Portsmouth.

For almost ten years Mrs. Warder had been an invalid. She suffered greatly with rheumatism. For four weeks she had been near death's door and the end did not come unexpected relatives being by her side when she passed away. The deceased was 68 years of age.

Besides her husband Mrs. Warder is survived by two brothers, Lewis Crawford of Long Run and William Crawford of Lewis county, Ky. and one sister, Mrs. Mary Griffith of Conn, Ky.

Mrs. Warder united with the Northeut Chapel M. E. church in Lewis county when a girl. She was a faithfuly follower of her religion. The funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at one o'clock from Manly church, Rev. John F. Grimes will be in charge of the last rites. Interment will be made in Greenlawn cemetery.

Henry Copas Funeral

The funeral of Henry Copas who died Wednesday afternoon, will be held from the home, 2017 Robinson avenue, Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment will be in Greenlawn.

Back From Funeral

Mrs. Philomena Burns and daughter, Mary, of 1532 Sixth street, returned Wednesday from Cincinnati where they were called by the death of Mrs. Burns' late husband's sister, Mrs. Delia Gilligan, wife of John Gilligan of 1324 Concord street, Cincinnati, who died Saturday, February 24. Mrs. Burns' husband, Jas. Burns, died just three months and six days before Mrs. Gilligan. She is survived by her husband and a son, John and daughter Ruth.

Nancy Channell

Nancy, ten year old daughter of William and Allie Channell of Lucasville, died Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. She had been an invalid since birth. The funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home.

SOCIETY

The Merry Twelve Club met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Alfred Zuhars, on Ninth street, where an enjoyable afternoon was spent in sewing, followed by refreshments.

Mrs. Carl Cunningham and son, Sheldon and Robert, have returned from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker, of Third street, Zanesville.

The regular meeting of the L. P. O. L. Club which was to have been held this evening at the home of Mrs. Charles L. Clemens, 1418 Seventh street, has been postponed on account of the death of a relative of Mrs. Clemens in Columbus.

Hubert Shafer of Ashland, Ky., and his mother, Mrs. Shafer were Portsmouth visitors Thursday.

Miss Ora Tracy has moved from 1632 Gallia street to 504 Sixth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Dobbs are moving from 911 Fourth street to their property on Scioto Trail beyond Roosevelt Park. Mr. Dobbs boards the property on the Trail two years ago.

Mrs. E. Cornelison, mother of Mrs. W. W. Dyer of 1321 Eighteenth street, leaves for Russell, Ky., Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. James Smith.

W. W. Dyer of 1321 Eighteenth street, left for Scioto Trail, Wednesday to work for the Government. He will be present at President Wilson's inauguration.

Mrs. C. E. Brooks, Mrs. William Southworth, wife of "Billy" Southworth, the ball player, and little son "Billy" Jr., will arrive in Portsmouth this evening from Columbus for a few days visit. Mrs. Brooks will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hoyland, 1611 Franklin avenue, and Mrs. Southworth and son will visit Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Richards, 1726 Hutchins avenue.

Miss Esther Taylor has left the city to make her home in Canton, O.

Court House

Taken to Pen

Sheriff E. W. Smith returned Thursday from Columbus, where he delivered George Blair, found guilty of failure to provide and Pleasant Lewis, a box car thief to the Ohio penitentiary.

Is Bound Over

Pleading not guilty to a charge of failure to provide Leslie Chapman was bound over in the sum of $500 Thursday morning by Squire Byron. Unable to give bond Chapman, who has been living near Huntington, was taken to the county jail. The charge was preferred against him by his wife, Mrs. Erie B. Chapman, who is employed by the Irving Drew Shoe company.

Lewis Will Be Mugged

Frank Lewis, who was recently charged with entering a box car and who was given a suspended sentence by Judge Thomas, will have his picture taken Friday at the request of Sheriff E. W. Smith. The picture will be sent to the Ohio penitentiary authorities to make use of it should Lewis be implicated in another robbery.

May Call Special Jury

Sheriff E. W. Smith stated Thursday that cases were piling up so rapidly that if they continued he would ask Judge Thomas to call a special grand jury to dispose of them. "We already have five burglary cases and several on the way and it looks like a special grand jury will have to be called," Sheriff Smith said Thursday.

Are Now In Jail

Jesse Eckhart, aged 13, and Vallanoy Haffner, aged 13, whose parents reside on Dogwood Ridge were picked up by Officer Flowers at the N. & W. depot Thursday afternoon and taken to the county jail. According to relatives they ran away from home and were headed for Chicago. The Haffner boy had two pistols in a box when found. Jesse Eckhart is a son of Mrs. Ida Eckhart of Dogwood Ridge.

Late this afternoon the father of the Eckhart boy called at the jail and left for Dogwood Ridge with the two boys.

REBEKAH MEETING MAY 8-10

The State Assembly of the Daughters of Rebekah will be held in Portsmouth May 8, 9 and 10 at which time 100 guests will be entertained at the Washington hotel by the local lodge. Seventy delegates, 11 grand officers, 16 past presidents and three members of the executive committee are expected.

County News

Miss Sallie Foster, of Carey's Run, who has been ill with pneumonia, is better.

William Hornikel, of Carey's Run, who had a bone in his left ankle broken a few weeks ago, is able to be out of bed.

W. O. O'Brien, merchant and farmer of Henley, shipped two cars of fat cattle and hogs from his Henley stock farm to the Union Stock yards in Cincinnati, Monday.

The following pupils of Fairview school, Madison township, were neither absent nor tardy during February: Richard Fullerton, Nellie Milam, Flossie Fullerton, Howard Bennett, Letitia Kent, teacher.

Thief Enters Stable

A sneak thief yesterday entered the stable in the rear of the Rhodes grocery, 1222 Ninth street and stole two auto tire casings. The police arrested a young man giving the name of Ernest Snyder as being responsible for the robbery.

Sent Money Back

Several nights ago a rear door was forced at the William Ray saloon on Market street and about $8 was taken from the cash register. The next day a small box brought the money back saying a man met him on the street and told him to take the money to Mr. Ray. Thursday morning it was found that an attempt had been made to pry the door open Wednesday night.

Two Enlist

Two men who were accepted for enlistment at the local recruiting station were sent to the Columbus barracks Thursday. They were Leonard Edwards, 23, of Jackson, Ky., and Lawrence Parks, 26, of Omaha, Nebraska. Edward Ferguson, 23, of South Portsmouth, was sent to Columbus February 27.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dixon, of 1732 Seventh street, are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby daughter. Mrs. Dixon and baby are at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Neal of New Boston. Mr. O'Neal is now a "grandaddy" and is passing around the cigars. O'Neal is clerk of council and school board at New Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kitchen of Gallia street, Terminals, are the proud parents of a baby boy who arrived Wednesday. Mr. Kitchen is employed at the N. & W. Terminals.

16 Chickens Are Stolen

Sixteen chickens and six inner tubes of automobile tires have formed the "prizes" obtained by thieves in three visits to chicken coops and stables of Baird avenue homes this week.

Several nights ago unknown parties entered the stable in the rear of the George Carroll home, 1829 Baird avenue and made away with six inner tubes of automobile tires. The lock was broken off the stable door.

Tuesday night the Fred Geiler stable, 1821 Baird avenue, was entered, the lock on the chicken coop being broken. Five chickens being stolen.

Thursday morning Mrs. Louisa Scott of 2001 Baird found 11 of her chickens missing. The lock on the coop was broken.

Police Got Him.

A man who told the police his name was Harry Hickle, was arrested Thursday afternoon. He tried to dispose of 30 pounds of brass to Louis Azarch, local junk dealer.

Craden Resigns.

Lloyd Craden who has been bookkeeper for the Schmidt-Watkins Co., plumbers, 931 Gallia street, for three years, has tendered his resignation to take effect March 15. He will take a position as bookkeeper for the Home Vulcanizing Co. on Sixth street and will be in charge of the office.

Louis Lauter, the tinner, 215 Market street, who broke his arm about a month ago when he fell on an icy sidewalk, is improving.

Leslie and Wilton, sons of J. E. Grashel, of 508 Union street, are ill with measles.

WIRE FLASHES

Columbus, O., March 1.—Attorney General McGhee in a written opinion declared today the pending Gilmore senate bill, No. 152, will, if passed, in effect wreck the Valentine anti-trust law.

McGhee, in his opinion to Senator Gilmore, says:

"The proposed suplement to the Valentine law is not a mere change in detail as to the mode or degree of its enforcement but an essential change in the character of the law itself, taking away from it the certainty of illegality as to every act forbidden by it."

The Gilmore bill, as drawn, authorizes combinations in "reasonable restraint" of trade. McGhee protesting against Gilmore's amendment to cripple the Valentine act declared the anti-trust law, passed in 1898, was "in response to an urgent need and universal public demand for restraint upon the evil of constant formation and growth of combinations in restraint of trade, the tendency of which was to subject the common mass of people to—economic and industrial domination of aggregations of capital.

Gilmore on receipt of McGhee's opinion, said he will drop efforts to get it passed.

The bill already is on the calendar to come to a vote soon.

El Paso, Texas, March 1,—United States government agents investigating reports of German assistance being given Bandit Villa have information that Germans have been advising the bandit leader as to his field operations and have been aiding him with money. It is declared that 200 Germans now remaining in northern Mexico are being given guarantees of safety and special privileges by both Villa and Carranza authorities.

Investigations conducted by British agents in El Paso recently resulted in obtaining information indicating that activities of German secret agents in Mexico have extended over a long period. The British agents say they have obtained proof that German interests instigated the battle of Parral, in which the American troops were ambushed by the Carranza soldiers while the American troops were standing off a street mob in April, 1916.

After the battle General Jose De La Luz Herrera, commander of the Carranzista garrison, made affidavit before American army officers in which he charged that German Consular Agent Koch at Parral, had "worked up the fight."

London, March 1.—Speaking in the Reichstag today, Foreign Secretary Zimmerman referred to "a telegram from the Swiss minister at Washington saying that America desires to avoid war, provided Germany is willing to treat on the question of submarine blockade."

The quotations were furnished in a wireless dispatch from the official German press agency.

Zimmerman was also quoted as declaring Germany is in all ways convinced that the submarine warfare ought not to be restricted.

The telegram which Zimmerman mentioned was undoubtedly transmitted by Dr. Ritter at Washington, at a time immediately after Washington was advised of the German submarine warfare, and before President Wilson broke off relations. This feeling on America's part was semi-officially stated at that time.

"Germany is resolved at all costs to maintain her blockade, but naturally desires to reach an understanding with America without clashing with this object," Zimmerman said.

After her resolve to use her strongest weapon, Germany cannot withdraw, the German foreign secretary continued.

"Secretary of State Lansing's reply that the United States was prepared to treat only if Germany withdrew her resolution of January 31, was not acceptable, thus dooming the negotiations to failure before they were really begun."

Yes, Be On Hand

Help the P. H. S. basketball team go to the state high school basketball tournament at Delaware, O. by attending the P. H. S.-Gallipolis game Friday night. All money over expenses will go into the fund being raised to send the team to Delaware.

Guns To Be Loaded

Capt. W. J. Keyes stated Thursday that hereafter when he sent a squad of men out after this or that member, who had failed to attend drill practice that their guns would be loaded and the men will be "prepared" for any trouble that they may encounter.

Lines Are Down

The Bell Telephone company's lines to Fullerton are down as a result of the heavy snow, which fell Wednesday morning.

BRITISH WITHIN A MILE OF BAPAUME

London, March 1.—British forces are within a mile of Bapaume. The German retreat is still in progress, but during the last day or so the harrassing of the advancing British troops has been more pronounced. Every sort of expedient is being used to delay the forward progress of Field Marshal Haig's forces.

The front on which the British have advanced was increased today to approximately 13 miles by announcement of the occupancy of positions more than half a mile northeast of Gommecourt. This is approximately the most northwesterly point from there down to a position about midway between Guedecourt and Beaulencourt, the new advanced front of the British zig-zags in and out. Front dispatches today declared Gommecourt fell without a blow from the enemy, the British simply slipping in on a deserted village.

Evidence accumulates that the evacuation of Bapaume is under way. Information from the front today said the Germans had methodically destroyed all high towers in the city plainly in order to prevent their utilization by the British as observation posts, when Bapaume fell into their hands.

EVACUATION MADE FOR SPECIAL REASONS

Berlin—(Via Sayville Wireless, March 1.)—Evacuation "for special reasons" of part of the German advanced positions on both sides of the Ancre was reported in today's official statement from Germany headquarters. Troops which were removed have been placed in other positions, already prepared, it is stated.

"Carefully acting rear guard posts hindered the enemy troops, which groped forward with the greatest hesitation from occupying without fighting a strip of land which was abandoned by us and which is now lying in ruins.

"Yielding in the face of a numerically superior attack, which had been ordered, these minor detachments inflicted considerable sanguinary losses to the enemy and captured eleven officers, 174 men from the ranks, and four machine guns. They still dominate today the forefield of our position.

"In the eastern war theatre there was nothing of importance reported."

Ten Horses To Be Sold

Safety Director E. K. S. Clinkenbeard, Thursday, opened bids for the sale of the ten horses of the three fire companies in the city. The bidders were Al Windle, Tracy Shoe Company, H. H. Rickey, J. M. Stockham, Clyde Cook and Otha Appleton of this city and Sellman and Dunlap of Winchester, O. The bids are being canvassed. The horses are not needed now that the city's fire companies have been motorized.

Frank Hague, well known steelworker, who has been ill a week was Thursday afternoon removed to the Hempstead hospital. He is afflicted with rheumatism.

The Movies

WM. S. HART AND ALMA REUBENS IN TRIANGLE-KAY BEE PLAY, "TRUTHFUL TULLIVER."

Don't Miss This at The Columbia Tonight

In "Truthful Tulliver" William S. Hart appears as a traveling newspaper editor who arrives in Glory Hole to start a paper. With him is his compositor and man-of-all-work, "Silver Lode" Thompson.

Opon opening his office Tulliver is visited by York Cantrell, a smooth easterner, whose mining interest keep him much in the vicinity. They stand at the window watching two sisters, Grace and Daisy Burton, coming toward Tulliver's office.

The girls are annoyed and insulted by men hanging around the Forty Rod saloon and dance hall, run by "Deacon" Doyle and secretely owned by Cantrell. Tulliver rushes out to their assistance and incurs the enmity of Doyle. The next day "Truthful" states in big headlines that Doyle must go, and the following morning finds a notice on his door which states that Doyle will be in the Forty Rod saloon the following morning at 10 o'clock and that there is not a pen pusher in Arizona that can run him out of town. "Truthful" surprises Doyle and his henchmen by coming into the saloon through a rear door. From his horse he lassoes them and pulls them out of a window and down the street, out into the desert, where he tells them to keep on going and never return to Glory Hole.

That night "Truthful" is shot at from York Cantrell's room by Doyle, who has returned for that purpose. "Truthful" then drives both of them from town, not knowing that York has wronged Daisy Burton. Daisy confesses to Grace, and Grace finds "Truthful, who, misunderstanding, thinks she is the one that cares for Cantrell. He promises to bring him back and makes a hard ride to the railroad in time to intercept Cantrell, whom he forces to return with him.

Then understanding comes. Cantrell wants to marry Daisy and live a new life, and "Truthful" comprehends his mistake. Grace, with a happy face, turns toward him, with her thanks and relief writ large on her face, and sees him watching her with such eloquent eyes that an understanding is very soon reached.

Blanche Sweet In "The Evil Eye" Paramount Feature At The Lyric Tomorrow.

"The Evil Eye," the Lasky picturization of Hector Turnbull's thrilling story, will be the Paramount attraction at the Lyric tomorrow with the beautiful Blanche Sweet in the stellar role. In this unusual production Miss Sweet is graduated from the characters of nursemaids, servants, ragamuffins and anarchists in which she has been playing for some time and is now seen as an enterprising young physician laboring among some superstitutious Mexicans in the vineyard districts of California.

Miss Sweet is supported by a splendid cast which includes Tom Forman, Walter Long, Ruth King, Webster Campbell, J. Parks Jones and William Dale.

Makes Good As Family Standby

Nerv--Worth A Blessing In This Local Dealer's Home

The following so convincingly clinches a leading Nerv-Worth claim as to be worthy of repetition:

Fisher & Streich Drug Store:

For four years or more I have been having trouble with my stomach. In the morning I would be sick and could not eat. My wife has had stomach trouble and nervousness for a year and had poor appetite.

I purchased two bottles of Nerv-Worth at your store and after taking we both cannot say too much for Nerv-Worth. I was in Columbus last week and recommended it to a friend there and on my recommendation he at once ordered some Nerv-Worth from his druggist.

G. C. WALLACE,
Dealer in second-hand furniture
Sixth and Gay Sts.

The Nerv-Worth demonstrator added that Mr. and Mrs. Wallace were on their third bottle of Nerv-Worth and enthusiastic friends of this supreme family tonic. Your dollar back at the Fisher & Streich pharmacy if Nerv-Worth does not benefit YOU.

Ask at Streich's for the new Nerv-Worth Laxative Tablets. 25c a box. Wonderfully good for liver and bowels. Especially valuable in connection with Nerv-Worth tonic.

Meeting Postponed.

On account of the bad weather the regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors scheduled for tonight has been postponed. The next meeting will be held in two weeks in Haru Gari hall, Gay and Gallia streets.

NEWS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The rector preached at the Wednesday evening service, taking the place of the rector of S. John's, Columbus, who was unable to keep his engagement. There was a good congregation present in spite of the bad walking.

The Confirmation Class for adults will meet this evening at 7:30 p. m. in the rector's office on Fourth street. All adult candidates are urged to be present.

The special preacher at the service tomorrow evening will be the Rev'd. George Kinney Johnson, rector of Chillicothe. The service commences at 7:30 p. m. and lasts about one hour. Strangers and visitors welcome.

We are all looking forward with great pleasure to the visit which our old friend Archdeacon Dodshon will pay us on Sunday. Mr. Dodshon will preach at both morning and evening services. Try and arrange to attend both these services. The archdeacon is one of the most popular preachers in the diocese, and will bring us a helpful and inspiring message.

The Choral Eucharist on Sunday morning will commence at 10 o'clock instead of at 10:30 o'clock owing to the fact that there will be many communicants and a sermon by the archdeacon. Sunday school and Brotherhood Class will assemble at 8:45 a. m. instead of 9:00 a. m. and close at 9:45 a. m. You are asked to give as much publicity as possible to this change of time.

While the attendance at the 9 o'clock celebration on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays has been exceptionally good there is room for improvement in the attendance at the 7 o'clock services on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. There must be many communicants who can easily attend this service and the rector trusts that we may have more communicants in attendance next week.

Clara Kimball Young At Lyric Tonight

"Trilby" is a great combination of artistic presentation, dramatic strength and effective atmosphere. Clara Kimball Young registers the tumultuous emotions of the beautiful "Trilby."

At The Exhibit

The second great serial written by George B. Seitz, the writer, of "The Iron Claw" is being shown at the Exhibit tonight. "The Shielding Shadow" is the title of this second serial and it is more thrilling, sensational and mysterious than "The Iron Claw" which abounded with thrill after thrill. Grace Darmond is the star, supported by Ralph Kellard and Leon Barry. "Victims of Vanity" is a two part Pathe drama. "The Test", a five part Gold Rooster Pathe drama, is the show for tomorrow.

At The Temple

A seven reel program tonight with special music. Another two-reel drama of "The Girl From 'Frisco" series of Western pictures, in which Marin Sais and True Boardman play the star roles.

Two more reels of "Gloria's Romance," that gripping and thrilling serial, featuring Billie Burke, will hold you spell-bound for half an hour. "Jabs and Pokes" is a side-splitting, rip-roaring comedy brimful of fun. "An Indian Heart" is a two-part Western drama of excitement and sensation.

At The Arcana

A two-part Big U feature production is the headliner at the Arcana tonight. "The Jewel of Death" is the title of this extraordinary photoplay in which the popular favorite, Edna Maison, takes the leading role. She is the star, with a tremendous supporting cast of Universal stars. A play and story that will grip your interest. "The Wizard's Plot," a one-part Kalem thriller of the "Grant, Police Reporter" series. Edith Roberts is the leading character in "The Whelp," a sensational Imp detective drama.

At The Strand

Manager Welch is always booking the best photo productions for his popular movie house. Tonight he will show an unusual picture in the part of "The Test" a five part Pathe Gold Rooster drama in which the lovely Jane Grey takes the leading role. "The Test" is a picture of tense interest, a human-heart play that will be a pleasure to see. A Lonesome Luke comedy fills the bill. Charlie Chaplin is far outclassed is producing laughs by Lonesome Luke.

KIDNEYS NEVER CAUSE BACKACHE

Rub pain, soreness and stiffness right out with St. Jacobs Oil.

Kidneys cause backache! No! They have no nerves, therefore can not cause pain. Listen! Your backache is caused by lumbago, sciatica or a strain, and the quickest relief is soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil." Rub it right on the ache or tender spot, and instantly the pain, soreness, stiffness and lameness disappears. Don't stay crippled! Get a small trial bottle of "St. Jacobs Oil" from your druggist and limber up. A moment after it is applied you'll wonder what became of the backache, sciatica or lumbago pain. "St. Jacobs Oil" stops any pain at once. It is harmless and doesn't burn or discolor the skin.

It's the only application to rub on a weak, lame or painful back, or for lumbago, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, sprains or a strain.

RELIEVED RHEUMATICS ENTHUSE

All of Them Loud in Their Praises of "Neutrone Prescription 99"

A working man buying a bottle of "Neutrone Prescription 99", was asked how it was helping him.

"Helping me," he replied "Why, there is nothing on earth like it. You don't know how my poor swollen, stiff joints and muscles pained and burned. I was nearly crazy with the suffering and the worry of losing so much time and pay."

"Before I knew about "Neutrone Prescription 99" I tried all kinds of tablets and liniments, but one bottle of "Neutrone Prescription 99" helped me so much that I am never without it now, all pain and swelling is gone, and I feel like doing things."

"Neutrone Prescription 99" certainly must be a wonder," the druggist replied. "We have never handled anything like it, they all say the same." 50c and $1.00 the bottle, mail orders filled on $1 size.

For sale in Portsmouth by Fisher & Streich, opposite post office.

Drys Hold Convention; Hear Plans For Coming Campaign

"By the first of April we expect to have every county in the state organized as it was never organized before" declared James A. White, state superintendent of the Ohio Anti-Saloon League Thursday afternoon in an address before the convention which the Scioto County Dry Federation held today at Bigelow Methodist church. Organization from the very top to the very bottom of every county precinct and ward was urged by Mr. White, who will have charge of the state campaign.

Declarations were frequently made by Mr. White that Ohio was surely going to have state-wide prohibition following the election this fall. For this purpose one of the greatest campaigns in the history of the organization will be waged," he said. "Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars will be raised by subscription to defray the expenses.

"Detailed study of organization in every county in the state will be made and petitions and poll books will not be issued to any county until the organization is completed."

A strong impression with delegates was made by Mr. White. His earnestness and effective methods of presenting the salient features of "organization" for the coming battle which will be waged for state wide prohibition, marked him as an exceptional man.

"I sure am glad to be here," said Mr. White. "You will be interested in hearing that the District of Columbia bill was signed yesterday, making that district dry."

Attention of the delegates was called by the speaker to the congressmen of Ohio who voted favorably on the measure. C. C. Kearns was aligned with those voting favorably.

"At Columbus we had the largest convention in January ever held in the state. The wet newspapers were saying that there was going to be a big row and there couldn't be a wet and dry election in this state this fall. We have to thank the wet newspapers for the advertisement, for it brought out people all over the state to see that there wasn't a row," he declared earnestly.

Organizations taking part in this movement were enumerated, to show that it is a representative one. Delegates from each business, profession and organization have been selected to serve on a committee. This committee meets every other Tuesday to make plans.

"By the first of April we expect to have every county in the state organized as it was never organized before.

"If we put one key man in charge of each ten voters in the state to find out what they are thinking about, we will win.

"We have been charged of using the steam roller method. I plead guilty to the indictment. This is the way we will win. Have your county manager and sub-divisions on down to the key men over each ten men. Then organize the laboring men, the manufacturers and the farmers.

"This group organization can and will not effect your county Dry Federation but will help it.

"In 1914, when Ohio voted wet had 70,000 men who went to the polls to vote their party convictions but did not cast a vote for or against the dry question.

"Suppose 15,000 had voted for Home Rule amendment, 30 or more counties would have been out from under the curse of liquor.

"Only one way to meet this disinterest displayed by the voter and that is through organization.

"When your county chairman asks you to go out and be key man over ten men you want to do it. The program to win this fight is the man to man, button hole to button hole method. It is organization.

"When we are willing to make the sacrifice to win this victory Ohio is going dry. It cannot help it.

"Twenty counties went by default the last time because we didn't have men on the job that would put the vim and vigor into the campaign and would follow instruction.

"The budget proposed for the campaign carries an expenditure of $450,000. The money will be used to pay county managers, newspaper and outdoor advertising, etc.

"Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars is 30 cents apiece for every church member in Ohio. I am not going to say that when I am out soliciting for some fellow that is able to give $300 will sign a card and say here is my thirty cents.

"At Springfield we had quite an interesting meeting there. One man signed up more than he was used to. His boy seeing his father contribute, so he contributed. Then he subscribed for Curley. Curley is his dog."

A letter was read from the boy telling why he subscribed $1 a month for his dog. The letter was signed John Good, Jr. The speaker explained the letter was read to illustrate the interest in the Dry measure.

The Reed amendment, the speaker said, would eventually pass. At Columbus labor organizations asked if the amendment would apply to the office workers as well as the shop workers. "I told them that it would and they said that in that event they were for it.

"This amendment prohibits the shipment of liquor into dry territory.

"We have 30 counties organized and on the job. And before April 1 we will have all the others ready.

"I have received letters from some business men asking why we didn't get legislature pass a bill like Indiana. Some people forget that we cannot act until we can get this amendment out of the constitution," he said and read a section which prohibits the passage of a regulatory dry bill.

"This amendment known as the liquor clause," he said, "was going to be wiped out of the constitution.

"Eighty-five per cent of the map of the United States is dry territory with about sixty-five per cent of the people living in it.

"We have every indication that the laboring men of Ohio are going to help us in this fight.

"Legislatures in Wyoming, New Mexico and Florida will pass dry laws. By the first of May we will have twenty-seven dry states.

"The liquor forces are going to fight harder in Ohio than in any other state. They say [illegible] rural states [illegible] state [illegible]

"When Ohio goes dry it [illegible] question of [illegible] the nation. It will [illegible] until [illegible] and [illegible] will be ratifying it.

"It took 21 years to [illegible] United States constitution [illegible] United Senators by [illegible] There is no time limit [illegible] have the advantage [illegible]

"I believe that the [illegible] forces are ready to take the question out of politics [illegible] the business out of [illegible]

Mr. White then [illegible] appreciation for [illegible] [illegible] of Dry [illegible]

[illegible] the Corrupt Practices [illegible]

White said.

"There will be no petitions sent out and there will be no poll books sent out until the organizations are ready all down the line." This statement Mr. White said was to be issued to every county organization relative to the circulation of petitions favoring the abolition of the clause in the constitution of the state which prohibits the passage of statewide prohibition measures.

One of the first things taken up at the afternoon session was the appointment of the executive committee. Upon the suggestion of D. Willard Gustin the old committee was re-appointed.

Melodies were rendered by the Pilgrim quartette, which comprises: Fred Lorey, W. D. Gilliland, Watson Goddard and J. Adam Burkel.

Morning Session

The keynote of the campaign which the Scioto County Dry Federation will wage in this county, John T. Breese, chairman of the finance committee explained at the opening of the big convention which was held at the Bigelow Methodist church Thursday morning, would be to "clean up the saloon business in Ohio this fall."

Explaining that the meeting had a representative gathering from most every county precinct Mr. Breese said that the object of the morning session would be to effect a permanent organization.

Following the close of the November election, there was considerable agitation among the voters concerning the wet and dry question. Many who were inclined toward the wets, were reported to be ready to vote the dry ticket, it was said. With knowledge of this Mr. Breese declared that The Scioto County Dry Federation decided to wager one of the greatest fights of its history this fall and attempt to do their share in making Ohio dry.

To start the work a meeting of the old organization was called and a temporary organization was effected. D. Willard Gustin was selected to serve as chairman of the executive committee, an office which was held by Mr. Breese for eight years.

"D. Willard Gustin, gentlemen," Mr. Breese said, "was selected to serve and we will now ask you to ratify our selection if you approve of it.

"Perhaps there are some here who do not know Mr. Gustin. I have known him since from his boyhood up. He was a member of my Sunday School class for a number of years. Besides being a capable man for chairman of this office, Mr. Gustin knows something about politics. He was really the leader in the Republican organization in Scioto county last year, as secretary of the executive committee. And [illegible] county made one of the best fights and returned the best results in the state, I believe."

Mr. Gustin comes from a long line of politicians. His grandfather, [illegible] Frank Finney [illegible]

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tion. The reason that they say it should not be is because they don't want it to be.

"I have been threatened with political death several times since I have been appointed chairman of this executive committee. But I will tell you that any proposition that which affects the welfare of the whole people, affects business and affects the community, then that proposition cannot help but be a political one."

"After ex-Governor Frank B. Willis made the statement that Ohio should be dry, the word went out to every saloon keeper to use every influence to defeat Governor Willis," said Mr. Gustin. He said that the "wet interests had knifed the Republican party and the Democratic party and would continue to do so until they were whipped."

"Our country is now facing the most solemn hour in its history since the Civil War. We live in a world aflame with war—and any day may find us forced to plunge into it with all the great courage bequeathed to us by our forefathers, with all the great resources created by American vim and energy, with all the ingenuity of which the Yankee mind is capable.

As a result of this perilous condition, there has come into being in the U. S. a strong movement for "Preparedness." And when you talk preparedness, my friends, you are talking the doctrine which has been preached by the dry people for years, for back of all naval preparedness, you find the vital element of preparedness in 'men'—and that necessarily implies that every possible means must be used to place the young men of our country in the finest physical condition and with every ounce of brain working clear as crystal and that fight waged by the dry forces has been for that very purpose—to give manhood a clean body, a clear mind and a pure soul—by absolving it from the curse of alcoholism.

"The awful war in Europe has taught us many things—but nothing more momentous than the lesson that booze and human efficiency do not go together. When we see the czar of Russia putting forth an ukase prohibiting the sale and use of vodka; when we see France, the land of absinthe, putting the ban on it and strong liquors; when we see England restricting more and more the liquor business—it has a great meaning for us. It means that the great nations of the world for pure and simple reasons of human efficiency are sounding the death knell of the liquor business; it means that the U. S. must do the same or drop behind in the procession of human progress.

"The people of the U. S. are beginning to realize [illegible] preservation [illegible] prohibition—and not preservation in [illegible]

"When we stop and think of the terrible toll taken by King Barleycorn, it [illegible] that there has ever been any serious question as to whether or not it should be eliminated. When we all know that its product has been crime, pauperism, [illegible]—that it has brought [illegible] the eyes of [illegible] of wives and mothers [illegible] taken the [illegible] countless thousands [illegible] it has orphaned [illegible]

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always tally. Did you ever note the beautiful consistency of their arguments? You will recall that in county local option fights one of their great excuses was that it was a state matter—that barring the booze business in a county, with other counties wet, would do no good. Now you hear the wets say that county local option is a beautiful thing, that they believe the small units of the state should be permitted to tend to this matter, and not impose the will of the whole state on certain sections thereof. When the vote was taken on the Hobson Resolution in the U. S. Congress in December, 1914, all the wets stated that they thought each state should settle it for themselves; when you have a fight for state prohibition, then they tell you it does no good to vote a state dry, that the whole country should go dry, or not at all.

"Next you hear them proclaim that prohibition does not prohibit—and yet did you ever note that the brewers and distillers spend huge sums of money in the attempt to defeat prohibition? Seems peculiar that they should do this when they claim that more booze is sold in dry territory than in wet.

"But now, gentlemen, we have the tide with us. We have 25 states of the Union now under prohibition laws—and among them our next door neighbors, Indiana, Michigan and West Virginia.

"In Washington we have the National Congress passing dry legislation so fast that it makes your head swim—they are making the District of Columbia dry; they are putting through a law forbidding the shipment of liquor into dry states, they are getting ready to bar the mails to liquor literature.

"And all this is having its effect in Ohio. I wish to state right now that next November will see the end of booze in Ohio; and that next November will see Scioto county return a substantial majority for the dry amendment.

"When you reach the point that the moral, scientific, business and political forces of the state get together in a fight—the thing they are fighting is as good as dead.

"And the liquor business has been declared an outlaw business by all those forces—it has been discovered that this question is not only a moral question, but one that is economic and political as well.

"Now I say what is our duty? What will give us success right here in Scioto county?

"You can tell the story in just one big word—Organization.

"All the good intentions in the world will do no good unless they are incorporated in that word. It is the Alpha and Omega of success in all battles of the ballot. It is the thing that turns defeat into victory. I cannot too strongly emphasize this.

"We must have the strongest, most thorough and active organization this county has ever known. And with that accomplished, gentlemen, we need not worry that Scioto county will do next November.

"To have that organization we must have it extend clear down the line to every block in the city, to every sub-division in the school districts; we must have a man to be responsible for every ten men in the county, and all in turn responsible to the directing force of the organization here in Portsmouth.

"We must have an organization that will present the dry arguments personally to every voter in the county; that will see to it that every dry vote in the county is cast [illegible]

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Tells About Judge Sikes

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take.

A short discussion followed this in which many expressed their conviction that Judge Sikes was the logical man for the place.

"If every man in this house and in this county was as dry in practice as I there would be no occasion for a meeting of this kind," declared Judge Sikes slowly. "I know of no Sikes that use liquor or tobacco in any form. I have always believed that liquor was the greatest curse of this country."

In 1888 while superintendent of the Sciotoville public schools, Judge Sikes said that he was one of the principal supporters in a local option campaign, which resulted in Porter township going dry. Since that time Porter township has remained dry, he said. This was the first wet and dry election held in the county.

Throughout his life, Judge Sikes said he had favored prohibition and that his father had been a candidate for sheriff on the prohibition ticket at one time.

The change from the dry to the wet side of the question was brought in 1910, the judge declared. Shortly after the Fourth of July, Judge Sikes went to the railroad depot. There he found almost a car load of empty beer kegs.

After seeing this, Judge Sikes said he told his wife that if local option in the county would do that for Porter township, that the best thing to do would be to have a few well regulated saloons.

A few days later, Judge Sikes met Paul Esselborn on the street and told him that he expected to vote with the wets the next time. At this time Judge Sikes said he sincerely believed that regulation of saloons without prohibition was the best thing.

A few days after meeting Mr. Esselborn he received an offer to manage the campaign for the wets and accepted.

The details of the organization which is being effected in the county were then explained by the secretary.

In concluding, Judge Sikes said that so long as the vote from the country precincts could be gotten out, that results favorable to the dry cause could be obtained.

"Bootlegging," the judge said, "would be one of the cries issued by the wet interests as an argument against prohibition. These same brewers and brewery agents are the fellows that are doing the bootlegging."

The appointment of Judge Frank Sikes as secretary and Conrad Roth as treasurer were ratified.

Then the delegates were served a dinner in the basement of the church by the Women's Aid Society.

Acceptances received from country precincts by Secretary Frank L. Sikes were:

Bloom Township, South Webster—Rev. S. W. Masters.

Brush Creek Township—S. C. Ketcham.

Clay Township—Albert Kuhn, L. Dickerson, C. H. Clemmons, James Lane.

New Boston—Charles Burnham, Rev. M. H. Bruner, Herbert C. Bishop, John Cadley, Calvin Harris, William Jenkins, Charlie Dixon, Frank Cooper, Rev. W. [illegible], James Parr, Ray Holt, Rev. Harris, William Wheeler, W. W. Bullen, A. A. Carter.

Green Township—G. W. Waters, [illegible] T. H. Spears, Jacob Mullins, Buck Burke, W. J. Shannon, Henry Orth, Mack Howell, Rev. Green Willis, Robert E. Willis, J. D. Willis.

Harrison Township—George D. Barrett, William Tidd, George Gampp, Frank B. Lain, R. A. McFadden, Fred Excellen, Ira [illegible], Albert Pesch, John Gampp, F. R. Munford, Luke Munford, Milton E. Armer, Harvey Dumm, George W. Gaunch.

Jefferson Township—[illegible] Milam, C. E. [illegible], [illegible] William [illegible]

[illegible] Township—[illegible]

[illegible] Township—[illegible] James E. Hamphill.

Porter Township—[illegible]

[illegible]

Rush Township—Edward Bierly, [illegible] Frank Adams, [illegible]

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NEW BOSTON

Rev. A. C. Shaw, pastor of the Christian church, preached a splendid sermon last evening to a large crowd. Much interest is being taken in the meetings and there have been several additions to the church. A delegation from the Grandview Avenue Christian church of Portsmouth will attend the services this evening and Rev. A. C. Shaw has chosen for his subject "The Night Before Eternity." All are invited.

Mrs. Carl Sutton of [illegible] avenue, who has been ill for several days, is improving.

Andrew Sommer, [illegible] spent Tuesday with [illegible] Mrs. Frank Hummer [illegible] Rhodes avenue.

Do not forget the W. [illegible] meeting this evening at the [illegible] hall. Some important business and an election of officers will be held. Every member should be present.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church met Thursday [illegible] an all day session at the home of Mrs. James [illegible] of Cedar street. The day was spent in quilting and a social chat.

Mrs. Thomas Nevill and Mrs. Eugene Ferguson, of Huntington, are spending the week end with relatives here.

The [illegible] will meet Friday [illegible] hall. All members are urged to be present.

Henry [illegible] of Gallia avenue, who has been ill for several months, is getting along nicely.

[illegible] of Gallia avenue, [illegible] was slightly improved Thursday.

[illegible] Western [illegible] New Boston. [illegible]

WEST END MEN WILL MEET

The West End [illegible] Association [illegible] Monday night in the [illegible] Temple at 7:30. Business of importance [illegible]

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FIXED UP

The First Presbyterian [illegible] has been repaired [illegible] weeks. The [illegible] of and [illegible] the [illegible] has been [illegible] and the [illegible] been [illegible] ing [illegible] the Ladies' Aid Society [illegible] been well [illegible]

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

[illegible] of Ashland, [illegible] Rev. H. S. Glenn.

[illegible] Minnie Watkins, 25, city. [illegible]

[illegible] Squire A. J. Finney.

[illegible] Third street. [illegible] poisoning [illegible]

Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS. Employers of labor read them carefully.

MASONIC NOTICE
Regular meeting Aurora lodge No. 46 F. & A. M., Monday evening, March 5 at 7 p. m.

WANTED

WANTED:—A young man of good habits and neat appearance for clothing salesman and stock keeper. Chance for advancement. Apply at Wolff's, 315 Chillicothe St. 1-2t

OUR SONG HITS—"I'm Going Back To Dear Old California," "Pet Names," two 15c songs, 10c sample. Three songs, special 25c. Popular Music Publishers, 1120 Elm, Cincinnati, O. 1-1t

WANTED:—To buy and sell second hand furniture and stoves, shoes and clothing. Call W. D. Thomas, 1984-X. 1-3t

WANTED:—To buy hat stands for millinery. Call 1200-L. 1-2t

WANTED—Woman to do laundry work. Call at 1513 Fourth St. 1-3t

WANTED:—Man to spade small garden. Call at 1513 Fourth St. 1-1t

WANTED:—At once, woman to wash milk pails and bottles, and one to assist with house work in small family, good wages. 521 Market. 1-tf

WANTED:—Girl for general housework, no washing, family of two. 1308 Kinney. 1-3t

WANTED:—At once—Ten ladies to travel, demonstrate and sell well established line to our dealers. Previous experience not necessary. Good pay. Railroad fare paid. Goodrich Drug Co., Dept. 650, Omaha, Neb. Mar 1-4Thurs

NOTICE:—Emmett Taylor has opened an up-to-date 2nd hand furniture store. 123 Market. Best prices paid. 1-3t

WANTED:—Porter at Smoke House. 1-3t

NOTICE:—DeBerrienne buys old shoes, clothing and furniture. Phone 567-L. 17-tf

NOTICE:—Long distance and local moving. Morris Brown, Phone 1693-G. 27-tf

NOTICE:—Cash paid for all kinds of furniture, carpets, stoves, clothing and shoes. W. A. Holmes, 515 Second St., Phone 1677-L. 27-tf

WANTED:—Room and board by refined middle aged gentleman in private home. Phone 1656-L. 28-2t

WANTED—To sell buttermilk. Z. T. Fugitt, 1910 Robinson avenue. 28-6t

WANTED—Good live installment agent to canvass in Huntington, big money. Write or apply at once, The Lewis Furniture Co., Huntington, W. Va. 28-3t

WANTED:—Carpenters, Wheelersburg high school. Apply at building. L. C. Delaginge. 28-2t

WANTED:—Upholstering to do. G. W. Bullock, Phone 1872-Y. 9-tf

WANTED—Capable stenographer or typist, also young man or woman who is accurate and quick to learn office work. Good opportunity in large office. Give qualifications and experience. Only high grade applicants will be considered. Address Office Superintendent, Box 1008, Portsmouth, Ohio. 24-tf

NOTICE:—For city delivery call Everett Artis, Phone 1586-X. 2-tf

WANTED:—Second hand furniture and stoves. 1024 9th. Phone 1180-Y. 8-tf

WANTED:—Young man 21 to 27 years of age to work in office of manufacturing concern, must have mathematical ability and a fair education, good opportunity for intelligent man, who is teachable, aggressive and not afraid of work. Only first class man need apply. Write stating qualifications, giving references. Address Dept. E., P. O. Box 1009, Portsmouth, Ohio. 24-tf

WANTED:—Woman or girl to assist with housework, one who can go home at nights. 1637 Highland. 28-3t

WANTED:—Lady and gentlemen solicitors, neat appearing, good talker, A-1 proposition. Call at 1117 Gallia. 27-4t

WANTED:—Woman to assist in kitchen at Rudolph hotel, New Boston, Phone 110. 27-3t

WANTED—Sewing at reasonable price. Mrs. B. Oakley, 1114 3rd. 26-6t

FOR SALE

FOR SALE:—6 room house 17th street, bath, cabinet mantel, sliding doors, cellar, cistern, garage, will trade for farm. $4000.

Six room house, Grant St., four cabinet mantels, sliding doors, bath, pantry, cellar, cistern, large barn, $2900.

Six room cottage 11th St., bath, pantry, cistern, cellar, $3000.

5 room bungalow, Baird, reception hall, bath, electricity, furnace, basement full size, finished attic garage side driveway. $4200.

5 room two story High St., bath, cabinet mantel, sliding doors, pantry, cellar, $2600.

4 room cottage, High St., pantry, cistern, cellar $2450.

1 have 6 five room cottages, Grandview, Summit, 18th, 7th, For sale or trade.

Three lots in Morton addition, Fullerton, Ky. $150 each.

Two 3 room cottages Castle Hill addition, large lots, cheap if sold at once.

Many other homes in all parts of city. A. M. Kidd, 1306 Center St. Phone 1579. 1-3

FOR SALE:—In Stewartville:
Lot 50x115, $450.
Lot 40x120, $700.
3 3 room cottages, $1100 each.
5 room two story, $1950.
6 room two story $2100.
3 room cottage, $1300.
3 room cottage, $1600.
2½ acres 5 room house, plenty fruit, on car line and paved pike, 1 mile east of Sciotoville, $2000. Small payments, easy terms. Also farms for sale and exchange. J. L. Praither. Phone 42-R, Sciotoville.

FOR SALE:—Reed baby carriage, first class condition. Phone 1306 L or call at 1012 Findlay St. 1-1t

FOR SALE:—10 show cases, lengths 6 ft. to 12 ft. at the price of the cost of glass. Hall Bros., Masonic Temple. 1-2t

FOR SALE—Excelsior motorcycle 1916 model, 3 speeds, equipped with new motor, $175 cash. Call 1012 John street after 6 p. m. 1-3t

FOR SALE:—Maxwell 1916 roadster and touring car in fine condition. Electric starter and lights. $450 each. R. S. Prichard. 1-3t

FOR SALE:—Buick, small touring, in fine condition. A bargain if sold at once. 934 8th St. Lew Gilgen. 1-3t

FOR SALE:—6 room house, good investment, also 7 room bungalow on Kinney Lane. Phone 1772-J. 1-3t

FOR SALE:—2 young mares. I. Reitz, 1010 Second St. 13-tf

FOR SALE:—Percheian Stallion coming seven; weight 1350. E. H. Kinnouse, Hales Creek, Ohio. 1-6t

FOR SALE:—Six new trunks, ten new watches, less than material cost. 703 Chillicothe St. 28-4t

FOR SALE:—Or will trade for small farm, 4 room house, and lot with gas, water, at 521 Boundary. Write Mrs. Flora Reinhardt, 51 E. Clifton Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. 28-3t

FOR SALE:—Splendid butcher shop and business. Address E. S., Times office. 28-3t

FOR SALE:—One No. 3 Studebaker wagon in good shape. Inquire Portsmouth Paving Brick Co., or 1118 Kinney Lane. 27-3t

FOR SALE—Five passenger Ford body, 1911 model, first class condition. 1404 Third St. 27-tf

FOR SALE—Sciotoville property. 6 room house, lot 50x120, on paved road, in good repair; price $2500.

New 4 room house on paved road, lot 50x120; price $1600; easy terms.

New 4 room bungalow, close to school; real bargain.

5 room house and 3 room on same lot, 66x130, in good repair, 10 percent investment; price $2800.

6 room house in Farney addition, modern throughout, hot and cold water; price is right; Sciotoville exchange 28. Bert Brant. 19-tf

FOR SALE—One Overland truck A 1 condition, 1914 model, $350. Phone 1778. 1-3

FOR SALE:—Automobiles which we have taken in exchange and put in first class running condition. It is much better to buy a good used car than a cheap new one.

Saxon Roadster	$125.00
Ford Roadster	160.00
Regal Roadster	225.00
Maxwell Touring	225.00
Jackson Touring	350.00
Knox Touring	450.00
Chalmers Touring	475.00
Overland 83 Touring	525.00
Crow Elkhart Touring	525.00
Studebaker Six Touring	600.00

All cars have good tires and tools ready to run. Cash or easy payments. R. S. PRICHARD. 24-6t

FOR SALE:—Two new cottages, one three room, one 4 room, two lots with each house, cisterns and outbuildings. Price $900 and $1000. Phone 5402-L. J. S. Rapp, West Side. 26-6t

FOR SALE:—Small supply of stereotype mats. Better than paper for laying under carpets. The Times Office. 4-tf

FOR SALE:—Victrola No. 11 and lot of records, taken in trade on piano. Will sell reasonable. Creekbaum, 1021 4th. 24-tf

FOR SALE—5 room cottage, 1746 7th, renting $17 a month, water and gas, large barn, lot 34 ft front; small payment down, balance in building and loan.
P. W. Kilcoyne, 52 First National Bank building. Phone 1698 or 1408-L.

FOR SALE:—Furs, handsome set with heads and tails, silk lined latest style, only worn three times, worth $65, sacrificed for $15, also gents valuable furlined overcoat, English Melton cloth, wash leather pockets, good as new, worth $75, sacrificed for $25. Owner leaving for California. Residence 629 Fifth St. 27-3t

FOR SALE:—One three burner hot plate and gas heating stove. Call 1425 3rd. 27-3t

FOR SALE:—Lots in Long Meadow. Call 774. 27-5t

FOR SALE:—Indian Twin motorcycle, completely equipped, with side car. Run eight months. Looks like new. A real bargain if sold at once. Call at 1015 9th St. 26-3t

FOR SALE:—51 acres, West Side, ¼ mile below Rushtown, 29 acres improved, splendid for trucking, fine location for summer homes. Samuel Ray, Rushtown, Ohio. 26-4t

FOR SALE—Register Angus bull calf. Scioto Valley Stock Farm, Wakefield, Ohio. 24-6t

FOR RENT

FOR RENT:—Three room flat. Inquire Sam Levi, 1007-1009 Gallia. 1-tf

FOR RENT:—2 furnished rooms for light housekeeping downstairs. 625 6th. 1-tf

FOR RENT:—To small family 4 room house rear 822 12th. Phone 193-R. 1-tf

FOR RENT:—2 front rooms furnished for light housekeeping. 819 Findlay. 1-tf

FOR RENT:—Furnished room. 1138 Fourth. 1-tf

FOR RENT:—2 nicely furnished rooms. Call 3849 Rhodes avenue. 1-2t

FOR RENT:—Store room, good location. Phone 932-L. 28-4t

REVIVALS

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening the revival at Trinity progressed far enough in interest and enthusiasm for some one to start up the song. "Old Time Religion," and those versed in revival lore know that things are warming up when that stage is reached. The congregation was small, for Trinity, no doubt due to the snow and slush but Rev. Laughlin gave one of his best sermons.

The soloist of the evening was S. R. Crawford, always a favorite wherever he sings and his rendition of "Love's Reason Is Ample" was splendid.

Rev. Laughlin took as his subject, "Access to the Father Through the Son." He stated that the only way we cared to view God was as a Father. We do not care to know Him as a Master for we are so slow in seeing opportunities and in doing work for Him that we would not feel easy to know that He was a master. Too many of us see everything but opportunities to do things for God, and we would be scared to death if a chance would run up in front of us, and to show his earnestness the evangelist said: "Now if you don't like that, go to work."

We do not exactly like to consider God as a King for if we did we would work harder for His Kingdom. Oh, I know we all pray that beautiful prayer, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, etc." and then by our actions we say "but if you don't want to come, Kingdom, stay there."

We don't like to think of God as a judge, for who would feel free to stand before Him, knowing we would get absolute justice.

Then came the point of the sermon. Jesus Christ, by His finished work, paved the way so completely that through Him we have access to the Father. The plan is clear, and in strong tones of denunciation the speaker said that the person who went through this life without preparing to meet God, "Lived like a fool, died like a fool and went to Hell like a fool."

If any man sin he has an advocate with the Father. If you had a case in court that involved your life and you did not know just when the case would be called, perhaps tomorrow morning, it's pretty certain you would have a lawyer to look after your case. Many here tonight perhaps are facing that sure trial, not at our courthouse here, and Jesus Christ is waiting to be your attorney, but He won't force Himself. If we want Christ there, we must have Him here. If you reject Him here He will reject you there. And just remember that no man can get to God except through the grace of Jesus Christ. The thing to do is to hitch on to the power of God and let it uproot us from sin. This power is a great leveler. It makes the rich come down on the level with the poor and the poor on the level with the rich. Many a poor woman in rags is really a King's daughter but hasn't on her royal robes. We can all meet as one in Christian fellowship, and if we do not do this some folks need tuning up just like a piano.

The meeting ended with an old fashioned Methodist hand-shaking.

Note

On Thursday evening the members whose names begin with F and G under the leadership of James Fulton, assisted by the missionary societies and the Ladies' Aid Society, will be responsible for the attendance.

WESLEY HALL MISSION

Despite the wet streets and melting snow, the chapel room was filled at 7:30 p. m. The congregation joined freely in the song service. It really did seem that Prof. Gwyn had every man, woman and child in the house singing at one time.

The choir leader is not only a Gospel singer himself, but he gets everyone round him to singing. Mrs. Gwyn is a professional with the organ and guitar. She is truly a revival musician, always putting life and energy into her selections. Prof. Gwyn and his wife sang a duet, entitled, "Shine On."

Rev. Sanford preached from 1st John, 3:16. Rev. Sanford is a strong preacher of the John Wesley type. He is never light, does not pretend to be clownish or funny, but deep, earnest and very sincere. He is a real Methodist, quoting oftimes from Wesley and Whitfield. He uses the altar in every meeting. Last night at the close of his sermon he gave his altar call for souls to come to it and seek Christ. In but a few minutes the altar was crowded. Then a row of chairs was set out in front of the altar and soon these were turned into an altar and filled with weeping men and women. Wesley Hall is truly passing through its Pentacost. Services each evening this week at 7 p. m. The public is invited.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Estate of Jackson Cropper, Deceased.
Kate C. Cropper and Clarence E. Cropper have been appointed and qualified as Executors of the estate of Jackson Cropper, late of Scioto County, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 28th day of February, A. D. 1917.

NATHAN B. GILLILAND,
Probate Judge of Said County.
1-3 Thurs.

FOR RENT:—Good farm on shares to man with team. Inquire 628 9th St. 1tf

FOR RENT:—Furnished flat of 2 rooms, down stairs, water and gas, at 2213 Robinson. 1-1

FOR RENT:—3 furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 923 4th. 27-tf

FOR RENT:—Nicely furnished front room for sleeping for one or two gentlemen. 1115 15th St. 27-3t

FOR RENT:—4 room house in rear of 1527 6th. Inquire 1523 Gallia. 27-tf

FOR RENT:—2 neatly furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 1224 Fifteenth. 27-3t

FOR RENT:—2 nice furnished rooms for light housekeeping, modern. 1412 11th. 24-tf

FOR RENT—2 rooms suitable for 2 or 3 gentlemen or could be used for light housekeeping, conveniences. 1206 Findlay. 22-tf

FOR RENT:—Modern apartment, new building, 4 rooms and bath, gas and electricity. Phone 1510-X. 18-tf

FOR RENT:—Two room alley house. 1139 9th. 17-tf

FOR RENT:—3 furnished rooms, 2 for light housekeeping, all conveniences. 818 Ninth St. 28-2t

FOR RENT—One furnished room for light housekeeping. 1735 8th. 28-tf

LOST

LOST:—Ford and auto wheel chain, finder please leave at Lynn's stable on Second street. Reward. 1-1t

LOST:—French poodle dog with collar and two bells. Reward. 511 Offnere St. 1-2t

THE MARKETS

NEW YORK STOCKS

FINANCIAL REVIEW

New York, March 1.—The New York Evening Sun financial review today says:

Today's stock market again failed to reflect more than a waiting attitude on the part of both traders and public. The latest exhibition of German treachery, as disclosed in the precious scheme to embroil this country with Japan and Mexico, merely confirms the general impression of Germany's desperation. It had no influence market-wise.

The copper stocks are about the only issues in the list which continue consistently firm, although most of the group turned soft before the session closed, but recessions were narrow. United States Steel sold below 104 without the quarterly and extra dividend totalling $3 a share, a loss of a point or more. The other industrial shares continue to give way gradually. The railroad list was quiet and generally lower, with distinct weakness in a few issues like Union Pacific, Reading and New York Central. The latter trading was practically at a standstill.

New York, March 1.—Wall Street again stood waiting at the stock market opening today following news of Germany's attempts to embroil the United States in trouble with Japan and Mexico. Movements were extremely narrow, with small changes, mostly downward.

Central Leather opened at 34 1-2, off 1-2; Marine preferred 68 3-4, off 7-8; Anaconda 79, off 1-8. United States Steel sold ex-dividend at 104 3-4, off 1-4.

Desultory trading continued throughout the day. In the early afternoon prices sagged. United States Steel dropped below 104 and Republic was off nearly a point to 75¾. Lehigh Valley touched 76½; American Beet Sugar was off 1¾ at 88½.

The market closed steady.

CLOSING PRICES
NEW YORK STOCKS

By Caleb L. McKee, Columbus, O., Member New York Stock Exchange.

Allis-Chalmers 25
American Beet Sugar 86¾
American Can 41½
American Car and Foundry 61
American Locomotive 68¾
American Smelt. and Ref. 96½
American Sugar Refining 108½
American Tel. and Tel. 124¾
Anaconda Copper 79
Atchison 101½
Baldwin Locomotive 51
Baltimore and Ohio 75
Bethlehem Steel 120
Brooklyn Rap. Transit 67¼
Butte and Superior 35
California Petroleum 22¾
Canadian Pacific 156¾
Central Leather 35
Chesapeake and Ohio 58
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul 80½
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry. 25¼
Chino Copper 55½
Colorado Fuel and Iron 44¾
Corn Products 20½
Crucible Steel 64½
Denver and Rio Grande 13½
Erie 25¾
General Electric 161½
Goodrich Co. 54
Great Northern Ore ctfs. 31¾
Great Northern pfd. 112¾
Illinois Central 100¾
Interborough Consol. Corn 12½
Inter. Harvester, N. J. 114
Inter. Merc. Mar. pfd. ctfs. 23¾
Lackawanna Steel 77
Lehigh Valley 76½
Louisville and Nashville 126
Maxwell Motor Co. 53½
Mexican Petroleum 83½
Miami Copper 38
Missouri, Kan. and Tex. pfd. 16
Missouri Pacific 40½
National Lead 55
New York Central 93¾
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford 33
Norfolk and Western 128
Northern Pacific 103
Pennsylvania 54¾
Ray Consolidated Copper 27¼
Reading 67¾
Republic Iron and Steel 76¾
Southern Pacific 91¾
Southern Railway 26¾
Studebaker Co. 98¾
Tennessee Copper 11¾
Union Pacific 134
U. S. Rubber 53¾
U. S. Steel 104⅜
U. S. Steel pfd. 117¾
Utah Copper 110
Wabash 12
Western Union 92¾
Westinghouse 57¾
Kennecott Copper 34½
Columbia Gas and Electric 41¾

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, March 1.—Further strength by the wheat market was displayed shortly after the opening today. Little long wheat was on tap. Offerings were readily absorbed. International complications had not the slightest effect. May wheat opened up ⅛ and gained 1⅞, later going to $1.80¾. July opened up ¼ and gained 1⅛ to $1.56⅛. September gained ⅜ at the opening and later climbed 1⅜ to $1.51¾.

Corn acted rather heavy at the opening, but the firmness in wheat tended to steady the market. May corn opened unchanged later gaining ⅝ to $1.02⅝. July opened unchanged and gained ½ to $1.01⅝.

Oats averaged higher along with other grains. Offerings were not heavy save upon extreme tops. May opened up ¼, advanced ⅜ to 57⅝; July opened up ⅛ and then gained ¼ to 55⅝c.

Provisions continued their steady rise, averaging from fifteen to twenty cents above yesterday's close for pork and lard. Bibs remained steady.

Chicago, March 1.—	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
May	1.81½	1.81¾	1.80¾	1.80⅞
July	1.55	1.57¼	1.54⅛	1.56
Sep.	1.43⅝	1.45⅛	1.42¾	1.44
Corn—				
May	1.02	1.02⅞	1.01¾	1.02½
July	1.01⅛	1.02⅛	1.00⅞	1.01⅞
Oats—				
May	.57½	.57⅞	.57¼	.57⅜
July	.55¼	.55⅝	.55⅛	.55⅝
Pork—				
May	31.05	31.05	31.05	31.05
July	31.35	31.50	31.20	31.30
Lard—				
May	18.50	18.65	18.37	18.37
July	18.65	18.67	18.37	18.40
Ribs—				
May	17.10	17.10	16.90	17.50
July	17.02	17.10	16.90	17.02

TOLEDO GRAIN & PROVISIONS

Toledo, March 1.—Closing prices:
Wheat—Cash $1.97; May $2; July $1.61½.
Corn—Cash $1.01¾; May $1.05⅛; July $1.01⅝.
Oats—Cash 62¾c; May 60¾c; July 58c.
Rye—Cash $1.40c.
Cloverseed—Cash $11.80; March $11.40; April $11.65; October 89.90.
Alsike—Prime and March $11.50.
Timothy—Cash and March $2.55.
Butter—Brick creamery 42c; tub creamery 41½c.
Eggs—Fresh candled 37c; fancy selects 39c.
Hay—Unchanged.

LIVE STOCK MARKET

CHICAGO

Union Stock Yards, Ill., March 1.—Hogs—Receipts 25,000; market steady to higher; mixed and butchers $13.15@13.50; good heavy $13.30@13.50; rough heavy $13.10@13.30; light $12.75@13.40; pigs $10.25@12.10.

Cattle—Receipts 6000; market steady; beeves $8@12.45; cows and heifers $5.30@10.30; stockers and feeders $6.30@9.25; Texans $8.15@9.85; calves $8@11.75; westerns $6@10.30.

Sheep—Receipts 10,000; market steady; native $10.75@11.85; western $11.25@12; lambs native $11.85@14.30; western $12.15@14.50.

PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, March 1.—Cattle—Receipts light; market steady; choice $10.50@11.10; good $9@9.50; fair $8@8.75; veal calves $12@12.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts light; market steady; prime wethers $11.50@12; good $10.50@11.25; fair mixed $9.25@10.25; yearling lambs $11@11.50.

Hogs—Receipts 15 double decks; market slow; prime heavy hogs $13.70@13.75; mediums $13.70@13.75; heavy yorkers $13.50@13.75; light yorkers $12.50@13.75; pigs $11.75@12.40; roughs $12@12.25; stags $10.50@11.

CINCINNATI

Cincinnati, March 1.—Cattle—Receipts 985; market dull; shippers $8.50@10.50.

Calves—Market weak; extra $11.25@11.50.

Hogs—Receipts 3500; market lower; good to choice packers and butchers $13.60@13.65.

Sheep—Receipts 34; market steady; extra $9.55@10.

Lambs—Market steady; extra $14.50.

CLEVELAND

Cleveland, March 1.—Hogs—Receipts 1500; market strong; yorkers $13.65@13.70; mixed $13.70; mediums $13.75; pigs $12; roughs $12.50; stags $11.50.

Cattle—Receipts 7 cars; market steady.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 2 cars; market steady; top $11.35.

Calves—Receipts 100; market steady; top $12.50.

TOLEDO

Toledo, March 1.—Hogs—Receipts 11,000; market strong to 10c higher; heavies $13.85@13.90; mediums $13.75@13.85; yorkers 21@13.75; good pigs $11.50@11.75.

Calves—Market slow.

Sheep and Lambs—Market slow.

EAST BUFFALO

East Buffalo, March 1.—Cattle—Receipts 200; market slow, steady; prime steers $11@11.50; butcher grades $7@10.50; cows $3.50@8.25.

Calves—Receipts 50; market active 25c higher; cull to choice $5@13.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 300; market lambs slow; sheep active, steady; choice lambs $14.50@14.70; cull to fair $11.50@14.25; yearlings $10@13.50; sheep $5@12.50.

Hogs—Receipts 1600; market active 10c higher; yorkers $13.75@14; pigs $12.25@12.75; mixed $13@14.10; heavy $13@13.65; roughs $12.25@12.75; stags $10@11.

PRODUCE MARKETS

NEW YORK

New York, March 1.—Flour—Market quiet and strong.

Pork—Stronger, mess $34@35.

Lard—Strong, $18.85@18.95.

Tallow—Strong; special 12¾; city 11½; country 11¾@12¼.

Hay—Strong; No. 1, $1.05@1.10; No. 3 70@75c; clover 50@95c.

Dressed Poultry—Dull; turkeys 20@34c; chickens 18@29c; fowls 17¼@24c; ducks 18@25c.

Live Poultry—Dull; geese 17@19c; ducks 20c; fowls 19@20c; roosters 13½c; chickens, broilers 19¼@21c.

Cheese—Strong; state milk, common to specials 23¼@23¾c; skims, common to specials 12½@21c.

Butter—Steady; receipts 4406; creamery, extra 40½c; special market 41@41½c; state dairy tubs 30@40c; imitation creamery firsts 31@32c.

Eggs—Unsettled and lower; receipts 4655; nearby white fancy 38@39c; nearby mixed fancy 38@39c; fresh firsts 31½@34c.

CHICAGO

Chicago, March 1.—Butter—Creamery extras 40c; extra firsts 38@39c; firsts 24@26c; seconds 32@33½c.

Eggs—Ordinaries 29@29½c; firsts 30½c.

Cheese—Twins 24½@25c; young Americas 25@25½c.

Potatoes—Receipts 16 cars; Minn. and Wis $2.50@2.60; fancy westerns $2.75@2.80.

Live Poultry—Fowls 19c; ducks 17@20c; geese 15@16c; spring chickens 20c; turkeys 26c.

BALTIMORE

Baltimore, March 1.—Butter—Fancy creamery 39c; store packed 26c.

Eggs—Nearby 30@32c; western 30c.

Chickens—Two pounds and less 25@28c; old hens 20@21c; roosters 12c.

OHIO STOCKS

By CALEB L. McKEE, Columbus, Ohio, Member New York Stock Exchange.

Columbus, March 1.—

Ohio Cities Gas, com.	98¼@	
Cities Service, com.	28⅛@	
Cities Service, pfd.	89½@	
Ohio State Telephone, com.	15½@	
Ohio State Telephone, pfd.	102½@	
Ohio Fuel Supply	50¾@	51
Ohio Fuel Oil	20¼@	
Manufacturers Lt. and Ht.	64½@	
Pure Oil	22½@	¾

GASOLINE AND ALCOHOL

Cincinnati, March 1.—Alcohol denatured 180; proof 69c, 188 proof 70c; wood $1.15; grain 188 proof $3.

Gasoline 70 per cent 28½c; motor car and stove, tank wagon delivery 28½c.

SUGAR

New York, March 1.—Sugar—Raw firm; centrifugal, 96 test 5.02@5.27c; muscovado, 89 test 4.25@4.50c; refined firm; cut loaf 8.15c; crushed 8.00c; powdered 7.10c; granulated 7.00@7.05c.

RUBBER

Akron, March 1.—Crude rubber firm on spot 81; March-April arrival 80; plantation prime ribbed smoked sheet on spot 86; first latex crepe on spot 86.

SPOT COTTON

New York, March 1.—Spot cotton steady and unchanged; middling uplands 17.00c; sales totalled 95 bales; delivered on contract four thousand bales.

COTTON

New York, March 1.—Futures closed up 6 points. May 16.71c; July 16.65c; Aug. 16.48c; Sept. 16.53c.

MONEY

New York, March 1.—Money on call 2½; six months time money 4½@4¾; mercantile paper 4¼; bar silver, London 37¼ pence; bar silver, New York 76½ cents; demand sterling 476 7-16.

COFFEE

New York, March 1.—Coffee—Rio No. 7 on spot 9¾.

ROSIN

Savannah, Ga., March 1.—Rosin—Firm; sales 739; receipts 216; shipments none; stock 78,335; quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G $6.00.

NEW YORK OIL

(Quotations by Secor and Bell, Toledo)

Atlantic Refining	1040	@1050
Illinois Pipe	235	@ 237
Ohio Oil Company	380	@ 385
Pierce Oil Company	12½@	13
Prairie Oil and Gas	580	@ 585
Prairie Pipe Line	317	@ 323
South Pennsylvania	320	@ 326
Standard of California	302	@ 304
Standard of New Jersey	678	@ 683
Standard of New York	280	@ 283
Standard of Ohio	475	@ 485
Midwest Refinery	93	@ 97
International Petroleum	11¾@	12

FINDLAY OIL

Illinois	187
Princeton	187
North Lima	183
South Lima	183
Indiana	172
Wooster	205
Plymouth	183

TERMINALS

Fred Hasselman, N. & W. call-boy, who has been suffering with tonsilitis and rheumatism, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Ed Chaffins, of the Terminal Hotel, Walnut street, who underwent an operation Wednesday, rallied nicely and was some better Thursday.

Miss Maggie Vogler, of Gallia street, who is seriously ill, was slightly improved Thursday.

Jean, Grace and Esta, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Green Bricker, of Walnut street, who have been suffering with whooping-cough for several weeks, are improving.

W. E. Allen, N. & W. yard clerk, who was injured several weeks ago while at work, is improving slowly.

Franklin Vincent, who is helping out as clerk in the N. & W. scale house, is suffering with a sprained wrist, the result of a gymnastic stunt several days ago. Vincent tried to jump over a table, when his foot caught, throwing him to the floor.

Woman Falls: Hip Fractured

Mrs. Julia Kinneman of Gallia street, fell while in her back yard Thursday morning and fractured her hip. She is past 74 and her condition is serious.

Was A Visitor.

Lafayette Taylor of McDermott was in the city on business Thursday.

DESCRIBES

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such a note was dispatched.

The Tokio story is as follows:

"Tokio, January 12.—An international affair centering around three Mexicans and their mysterious movements in attempts to buy ammunition and arms, has just finished its first act in Japan. Today the attention in diplomatic circles here is directed toward conjecture as to just what the Mexicans were at in their mission for the Carranza government.

The Mexicans' efforts met with success, but their activities have been so intent as to arouse the daily watchfulness on the part of officials connected with both the American and British embassies here, the latter fearing that attempts were being made to aid the Germans.

While future developments are expected to heighten the sensational character of the Carranza mission, it is now known as a certainty that the Mexicans, assisted by two Japanese, a Dutch adventurer and a Welshman, discharged from the British army for conduct unbecoming an officer, succeeded in chartering the Kotohira Maru, a Japanese vessel of 4,100 tons. After loading cargo, this boat left Yokohama during the night of January 4, and proceeded to Muroran, where it coaled and sailed direct for Salina Cruz, Mexico.

According to the manifest, the shipments consisted of 400 tons, but it is known that this steamer of over four thousand tons did not sail direct for Salina Cruz with a cargo of only four hundred tons, listed as machinery. It is also known that the Kotochira Maru carried 27 Japanese gun experts.

It is believed the Mexicans, handicapped in their operations by the alertness of the Japanese government were offered only inferior material, of an old pattern and lacking in uniformity, so the trio finally resolved to add to their small arms purchase a quantity of machinery for the manufacture of guns and ammunition.

The three Mexicans were J. M. Carpio, R. Vargas and Guitierz Astrega. They arrived in Yokohama November 23. They are all Carranza men. Carpio was chief of staff under General Obregon, Carranza's war minister.

The Mexicans had money—all kinds of it. They had credits issued by New York banks totalling more than $2,000,000 gold.

This money is generally known to have been deposited in the Chartered Bank, the first bank of Japan, and the Mitsui Bank. In addition to these credits, there is a large sum of money deposited in a powerful bank here, the remnant of a sum placed here by General Huerta when that bandit was supreme across the Rio Grande.

During their stay here the Mexicans were frequently seen in company with two smooth looking, well dressed Filipinos, but while the movements of these Filipinos are being constantly watched, as yet their connection with the Mexicans has not been established.

The two Japanese aiding the Mexicans were T. Sodzuki, former principal of the Tokio Marine College, and M. Nakashima, who has been active in Mexican interests for years. Nakashima sailed for Mexico on the Kotochira Maru. He lived in Mexico for nearly ten years.

The Japanese made frequent visits at the Mexican legation and were often seen in company with Colonel Romero, Carranza's minister here. The latter claims however, that his countrymen only came to Japan in quest of new trade markets for Mexican products.

30,000 UNITED STATES TROOPS QUARANTINED

El Paso, Tex., March 1—Thirty thousand regular and national guard troops, stationed at El Paso, have been quarantined in their camps here because of an epidemic of pneumonia among the troops. The quarantine will last two weeks but will not affect the government of militia organizations ordered home.

Judge Blair In Pittsburgh

Judge A. Z. Blair left Thursday for Pittsburgh, where he is interested in a damage suit.

American Officials Believe

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in the event of actual hostilities between the United States and Germany.

Japanese Ambassador Sato was called to the department yesterday and told of the information which had been secured as to the threatened plot.

While Lansing would not discuss in any way what Sato had to say about it, the fact that he used the statement quoted above indicates the Japanese ambassador must have denied any knowledge of it and scorned any possibility of his government being in any way "interested."

This theory is also borne out by the statement Ambassador Sato made this morning.

Lansing intimated this government had been working for the past four months on the case but until recently it had been unable to secure conclusive evidence of the plot.

MAKE EFFORT TO STIR NATION TO REAL PERILS

Germany's plot to play Mexico and Japan actively against the United States, in case of war revealed by the administration today through documentary proof of Germany's machinations, was put forth to sway a dallying congress and stir the nation to the real perils of the German problem.

Facing the possibility of further delay in congress, plus opposition to avoidance of an extra session, the administration played its trump card—the correspondence between Germany and its Mexican representative whereby it sought to alien Mexico and Japan belligerently against the United States. The documents, in possession of this government for some time, show clearly that Germany meant to play this tremendous menace as a club over the United States to keep her neutral and to prevent the stand the United States took on the late ruthless submarine edict.

LETTER GIVES THE LIE TO GERMAN EXPRESSION

Besides being destined as a check to over-enthusiastic, but perhaps well-meaning pacifists, who, it was feared, would lull the nation into too great a feeling of security, it gave the lie direct to German expressions of surprise, voiced by Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg over America's "misinterpretation" of Germany's unlimited U-boat war decree. It also stands as a reply to Bethmann-Hollweg's feigned surprise at the "brusqueness" of President Wilson in breaking the friendly relations between Germany and America that was an "heirloom from Frederick the Great."

The letter singed by Zimmerman, the German foreign secretary, sent to the Mexican government and other documents in the hands of government heads, is the answer to the administration's insistance upon power for President Wilson to arm ships and otherwise deal with the German problem, it was understood in administration circles.

ANSWER TO WILSON'S ANXIETY OVER JAP SITUATION

It is the answer to administration's apparent anxiety over Japan, as shown in efforts to kill anti-Alien legislation aimed at the Japanese.

It is the answer to President Wilson's "going slowly" in order that he might be the better prepared for action when the time came.

Above all, it is intended as the goad to congress.

Only a short time ago, Carranza suggested an embargo on supplies to the allies and there was the hint that the Mexican oil supplies of the british navy would be halted.

Japan has been hinting at trouble if the anti-alien bills were passed.

MEXICAN-JAPANESE SITUATION LOOMED LARGE

THE ADMINISTRATION HAS SHOWN ONLY PART OF ITS HAND. THE MEXICAN-JAPANESE MENACE HAS LOOMED LARGER THAN OFFICIALS CARED TO ADMIT PUBLICLY.

The menace bared in the prima face evidence of the German deceit, recalls stories of emissaries who went back and forth from Mexico City to Tokio.

It recalls stories of German reservists gathering in Mexico City

It recalls wild stories—always branded so officially— of the presence of Japanese in large numbers in Lower California.

It recalls activities of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain Von Papen in Mexico, and in other countries south of the Rio Grande.

It is given frankly, but not officially, as one of the greatest reasons the administration sent Secretary of State Lansing and the attorney general to congress to plead for the most stringent and rigid bills this government has ever considered.

At least goaded by congressional delays and prospects of an even wider filibuster starting today to kill the armed neutrality bill, cripple the navy supply bill and force an extra session, the administration showed the main part of the plot.

BEHIND PLOT IS SINISTER TRAIN OF FACTS

Behind the plot lies a sinister train of facts.

German agents followed developments of the Mexican peace conference at Atlantic City. After they appeared it was noticeable that Luis Cabrera, clever diplomat, member of the Mexican group, gave out disquieting hints.

He talked of the relations of Japan and Mexico—a sinister hint that the American government did not fail to note though at the time it did not suspect that there was, in the making anything so tremendous as a German plot that might react upon the very existence of this nation.

Since then there have been German spies on the Mexican border.

There have been secret missions between Mexico and Washington on the part of Teuton diplomats. But the message intended for the German envoy at Mexico City came into American hands opportunely and gave this nation sufficient warning whereswith to combat the machinations.

Now the whole affair for the time being is up to congress.

Despite this menacing turn in an already tensely strained situation, Senator LaFollette when the senate adjourned early today to meet again in mid-forenoon served notice that he had three days material ready for a filibuster. He is opposed to the extent of the navy bill.

In connection with the revelation of the German-Mexican-Japanese situation, it was strongly hinted today the government has in its information or has lines out to get it, concerning the recent Cuban uprising, quite generally interpreted as of German origin.

Authorities here have watched that case closely in view of the dangerous possibilities to the United States.

Back of those international plottings may be a plot within the United States to encourage food riots as propaganda support of an embargo on supplies to the Entente allies.

It is known secret service men are engaged, not only on the Cuban-Mexican-Japanese angle but likewise on the domestic situation.

It is hinted the department of justice might have startling facts concerning the food matter shortly

Senate Considers Inquiry

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from the White House to prevent his supporting the inquiry.

Stone's amendment asked that the president be requested to inform the senate whether the information in his possession originated from any governments who are at war with Germany.

Stone's intent appeared to be to cast doubt on the Zimmerman letter—provided it originated from Entente sources.

He suggested the senate ought to go slowly in openig up "diplomatic secrets."

Stone later amended his resolution to include information as to whether the Zimmerman letter "originated with or was derived from an allied power."

Stone openly hinted that the German plot information was put forth to influence public or official opinion or both.

He hinted that an allied government must have furnished this government with its information—and added there ought to be no secret, confidential relations of that kind between a belligerent country and this nation.

"I want to know if there is a casus belli here, whether there is a grave offense or assault upon our integrity, an improper violation or interference with the relations of the United States by the Imperial government.

"If it comes, for instance, from London, I want to know it—and that is all," he added.

If the information came to this government from allied sources, Stone suggests that fact would weigh heavily in his course upon it.

American ships will be protected on the Atlantic, peaceably if possible, but by force of arms if necessary, to assure them freedom of the seas, Chairman Flood declared in opening the house debate.

Representative Campbell, Republican, declared congress "has no right to delegate war making power to the president" and that congress should stay in extra session "if this emergency exists."

"If we go to war", he said, "we shall have gone to war to enable our ships to drain the country of food and munitions in the face of food riots."

Representative Bennett, Republican, said he favored the bill, because it provided the best way to protect ships and to keep out of war.

Representative Henry pleaded for unity.

Representative Emerson held more serious difficulty might come if we failed now to protect our rights.

Majority Leader Kitchin, holding the president has power any way "with or without the enactment of this bill" to create a situation that will force war, announced he would support it."

Representative Shackleford, pacifist, who yesterday suggested foregoing American rights on the seas, made the first house reference to the German plot and held it improper that newspapers rather than congress should be first informed of the conspiracy.

"I'm not for war for honor," he declared. "You can't get honor from war."

Representative Rogers pointed out the Zimmerman letter reflected the German view that war was inevitable after the submarine decree became effective.

"This measure is not a war measure; it is a peace measure," he said. "The German people will be surprised and pleased at its mild nature."

Washington, March 1—President Wilson stands sponsor for the declaration that Germany attempted to plot Japan and Mexico into a conspiracy against the United States.

In a formal statement, Senator Swanson told the senate today:

"President Wilson authorizes me to say that the Zimmerman letter to the German embassy in Mexico proposing an alliance with Japan and Mexico is substantially correct."

The statement followed introduction of a resolution by Senator Lodge inquiring as to the correctness of the letter.

Senator LaFollette wanted the Lodge measure modified so it would bring out when the letter came into this government's possession. Lodge acceded to the modification.

Senator Hardwick indicated his intention to object, saying it was a serious matter and that the president would be relied upon to inform the senate if he deemed it wise and that in any case the executive himself would act properly. Lodge flared up.

"I put it in because it is a serious matter. If it is false the country ought to know it to allay the excitement it has caused. If it is true certainly congress ought to know it."

Senator Works, California, said it is now due to congress and to the country that President Wilson fully presents to congress "all information" he may have.

Senator Stone, chairman of foreign relations committee, made a deliberate appeal to the senate to refer the resolution to his committee "for further necessary investigation and inquiry before ill-advised action be taken."

"We are not informed as to the source of his news. We have no facts. It may not be authentic; it may not be true.

"We do know however, that every possible agency has been used to excite American public opinion. There may be", Stone said slowly, "something behind this alleged news of which we do not know. It is the wiser course to permit the committee to investigate."

Stone, one of the president's strongest supporters, seemed to take no cognizance of the words which had just fallen from the lips of Senator Swanson, giving official authentication to the conspiracy.

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"We [illegible] know the [illegible] we are proceeding. I don't think that there is anything [illegible] that would [illegible] the president at this [illegible] we ought to carry it out it so we can act together."

Senator Hardwick's objection [illegible] the senate [illegible] the matter over to the committee, a hasty move was made [illegible] referred to the foreign relations committee.

Senator Penrose asked that it be [illegible] with a request for immediate action.

If you have a room which is not occupied you should be using TIMES WANT ADS.

Zimmerman

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Vierick, editor of Vierick's Weekly, formerly known as the "Fatherland", a German-American publication, in a statement issued today commenting on the Zimmerman letter given out in Washington.

"The alleged letter of Alfred Zimmerman is obviously faked," Vierick declared.

"It is impossible to believe that the German foreign secretary would place his name under such a preposterous document. This impudent hoax is made public simultaneously with frantic appeals of the allied premiers enjoining the United States to enter the war.

"If Germany were plotting against us she would hardly adopt so clumsy a method. The real politicians of the Wilhelmstrasse would never offer an alliance based on such ludicrous propositions as the conquest by Mexico of American territory. The creaking of the machinery of the British propaganda is clearly perceptible."

"The intention is of course," the statement continued, "to arouse the war spirit of the peace-loving west and to overwhelm the pacifists in every part of the country. The entire story reads like a dime novel concerted by our guests, Sir Gilbert Parker, Great Britain's chief propagandist in co-operation with E. Philips Oppenheim.

"Despite the insidious work of various imaginative authors in the employ of Great Britain, we have still retained our common sense. We can still differentiate between fiction and fact. The American people are willing to be thrilled, but refuse to be humbugged."

Vierieck changed the name of his weekly magazine from the "Fatherland" to the New World and then to Vierieck's Weekly, following the break in diplomatic relations between this country and Germany. His publication has long been known as one of the leading German-American propaganda papers of the country.

Press Comment

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CINCINNATI POST: "The German-Mexican plot is another justification of prompt action against Germany. Congress should expedite the president's program. Every hour that congress delays giving the president full authority to enforce his pledge to the limit, even to the limit of a war with Germany, is an evidence of national weakness."

NEW YORK SUN: "To a German anything that suits the German purposes is feasible if not easy, excusable if not virtuous. If the United States had to be 'straffed' as the slang of the war hath it, why should not Mexico be the fitting instrument? We seriously doubt whether Mexico has become or ever could allow herself to become a catspaw of Germany to the extent indicated in Foreign Minister Zimmerman's note to Von Bernstorff. Even less probable is the plan assigned to Japan in the huge dream."

NEW YORK WORLD: "They (congress) are treating the situation as they might treat a bill to raise the first assistant postmaster general's salary or a proposal to build government hotels along the Panama canal. To force an extra session of congress, on the chance of a possible Republican majority in the house, seems to certain Republican congressmen much more important than prompt defense of national rights. If lining up with pacifists looks like good politics, why not? If this is the best that representative government in the greatest democracy in the world can do when it comes to meeting foreign insult and aggression, then representative government, as this country knows it, is a peril."

KANSAS CITY STAR: "At last the nation has no excuse for failing to understand the gravity of the international crisis. This is no time to falter. It is no time for party differences. It is no time for divided counsels of any sort. The one thing to do is to put every possible weapon in the president's hands. He carries the day."

CHICAGO JOURNAL: "By force and fraud, by arms and intrigue, with treachery that a Mohawk would reprobate and courage that a Spartan would admire, the Hohenzollerns have worked their way up from a fourth class principality to a position from which they grasped at and all but clutched the mastery of the earth. There can be no peace anywhere upon the planet until this family of human panthers is put down."

CHICAGO DAILY NEWS: "Herr Zimmerman is drumming up armed enemies of this nation wherever he thinks they may be found. The questions which Americans must face is a question of national safety. The pacifist congress is trying to stop an avalanche which has already fallen. The American nation must meet the situation with a firm alliance with the nations which are resisting in arms the same great menace."

To Open Bids.

Architects Dennis and Donaldson on March 21 will open bids for the construction of a new $60,000 high school building in New Boston.

BRINGING UP FATHER

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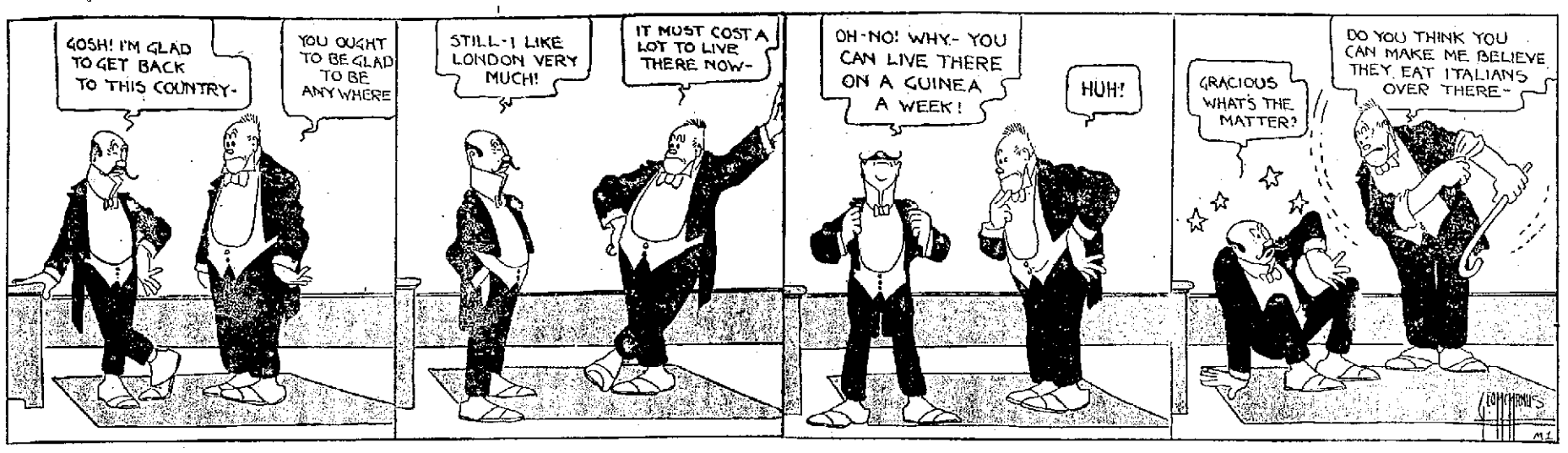

MAYOR BANS LOAFING, SAYS MEN MUST WORK OR TRAVEL

A ban was placed on loafing in Portsmouth in police court Thursday morning by Mayor H. H. Kaps when a motley gang of 15 loiters faced him.

"You men must work and produce something. You will have to work or travel. Plants here are begging for men and if you want to stay here you must work and produce."

That is the edict of the mayor to the loiterers, who were dismissed with explicit instructions to work or move on.

Those arrested were: William Clayburn, Epp Huber, William Cherry, James Pitts, J. Mann, Robert Day, Joe Walker, C. West, Robert and T. Jones, J. Timmonds and F. Smith. They were found loitering around the plant of the Portsmouth Paving Brick Company in the North End.

Lee Chapman came here from Huntington yesterday, loaded up on apple brandy he admitted in police court this morning and abused his wife who has not been living with him for three years. Chapman denied he made a gun play at his wife's home in the North End yesterday. He was fined $10 and costs.

Thomas Smith, who says he is a sheet worker, was charged with begging on the streets and with intoxication. He admitted his guilt, said he would sign the pledge for three years and was fined a ten spot.

George Athon was fined $10 for drunkenness and John Atkins $5.

T. Mooney got pickled last night and fell right dab in front of two policemen on Chillicothe street. They showed him the way to the police station. He was fined $5 this morning.

Al Maier, local brewery agent is battling with an attack of rheumatism.

River News

Portsmouth, March 1.—Observations Taken at 8 a. m. 75th Meridian Time.

	Flood stage feet	River stage feet	Fall last 24 hrs.	Change since last report	Precipitation inches last 24 hours
Franklin	15	7.1 F	0.4		
Greenshoro	18	12.5 F	0.2		
Pittsburgh	22	11.5 F	2.8	.60	
Wheeling	36	14.0 R	1.0	.14	
Zanesville	25	11.8 F	0.9	.01	
Parkersb'g	36	16.5 R	0.4	.64	
Charleston	50	15.9 R	6.4	.50	
Pt. Pleasant	40	25.5 R	3.1	.52	
Huntington	50	29.0 R		.26	
Catlettsb'g	50	33.0 R		.51	
Portsmouth	50	32.5 R	0.9	.29	
Cincinnati	50	33.8 F	1.3	.04	
Logan	..	6.8 R		.80	

FORECAST

River at Pittsburgh running full of heavy ice.

Fair over upper Ohio valley tonight and Friday, except possibly rain in extreme southern portion.

River at Portsmouth will rise slowly.

F. B. WINTER,

Cost $85.80 To Kill Duck And Squirrel

It cost Shirley Ray, a well-known Market street citizen, just $85.80 to kill a duck and a lone squirrel on the Bannon farm nine miles north of the city last Monday.

Ray appeared before Squire Byron Thursday morning and entered pleas of guilty to three charges, killing a wild duck on Monday, killing a duck out of season and killing a squirrel out of season. He was fined $25 and costs on each charge. An affidavit charging him with these offenses was signed by Deputy Game Warden Harry Ball, who also relieved Ray of his shot-gun. "The state may appropriate the gun. I will write the authorities about that," Mr. Ball said Thursday.

Sextette Friday Night

The sixth number of the high school lecture to be given Friday night by the Zedeler Symphonic Sextette will begin immediately after the P. H. S.-Gallipolis basketball game. The sextette gives a splendid musical program. The symphonic effects obtained by this company in their concerts is the result of a specially built reed organ of unique construction.

STRANDED MEXICANS GIVEN JOBS ON C. & O. N.

Columbus, March 1.—Superintendent W. F. Hauck of the state free employment office, soon solved the problem of what to do with the 15 stranded Mexican laborers who were brought elsewhere from the south under a promise that was not kept. The superintendent found employment for them on the new C. & O. railroad being erected from Portsmouth north, and he shipped them to Waverly for their new jobs Tuesday night. They will get $2.25 a day.

Foresters Plan Social

Following the regular business meeting of the Independent Order of Foresters, in their hall corner of Gallia and Gay streets, a social session was held. The order is planning an entertainment for March 14.

WITH THE SICK

Grover Barr is seriously ill with rheumatism at his home on Gallia street. Mr. Barr, who was formerly employed in The Times composing room, has been employed in the composing room of the Ohio State Journal.

John Ashley, of Grandview avenue, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Miss Irma Messer, of Findlay street, is ill with the grip.

Mrs. Rebecca Jennings of Gay street, is afflicted with rheumatism.

Mrs. Frank Mathews, of South Portsmouth, is ill with bronchitis.

Louise, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gusele who was operated upon for appendicitis two weeks ago at Hempstead hospital was removed to her home on the West Side Wednesday. She is improving slowly.

Mrs. George Egbert, 1921 Timmonds avenue, who has been ill, is improving.

Mrs. C. H. Fultz, of Vanceburg, who is employed in the millinery department of the Anderson Brothers Company, is ill with measles at the Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. George Egbert, of Timmonds avenue, who has been ill for several weeks, is improving.

Edward McMahon continues to recover from a surgical operation he underwent several days ago at the Hempsetad hospital.

William Stanton, who has been so critically ill with pneumonia at his home in Hamden, is reported no better.

Captain Andrew Reinhard received a telegram Wednesday that his sister, Mrs. George Davis, aged 75, of Lowell, O., ten miles above Marietta, O., was dangerously ill, and left Thursday morning for his sister's bedside. In his absence his son Earl will look after his father's duties at the Masonic Temple.

Frank Williams of Tenth street is seriously ill with pneumonia.

R. H. Peters Is Dead

Robert Hayes Peters, aged 41, died at 8:45 Thursday morning at his home, 616 Seventh street, after an extended illness of kidney trouble. The deceased was taken ill last January and gradually grew worse until the end. Peters was employed at George Schirrmann's livery barn for sometime and was well known in the city.

The deceased was born in the house where he died. He was a son of Robert and Sarah Peters. His father passed to the Great Beyond over 20 years ago and his mother died three years ago.

The deceased is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Mary Polley, Mrs. Clarabelle Dixon and Mrs. Lillian Payne, of this city, and Mrs. Bertha Buckner, of Jackson, and one brother, Clifford Peters, of this city.

He was a member of Harmony Lodge K. of P. Some years ago he united with the Seventh Street A. M. E. church. The K. of P.'s will have charge of the funeral services.

Mrs. A. W. Wood is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. G. Applegate, 1314 Seventeenth street.

Carline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conklin, of 944 Campbell avenue, is ill with measles.

Bureau Notes

The biggest and best thing the Community Service Bureau can do is to provide good wholesome recreation for the great army of boys and girls in Portsmouth who have had no other place to play except the street. This the bureau has pledged to the citizens of Portsmouth, and they are already making good that pledge. A director of recreations has already been appointed, and plans are now being outlined for a number of play centers the coming summer. An adequate amount of apparatus will be installed at least two of these centers, and each one will be given proper supervision. It is hoped to have not less than three baseball diamonds. Baseball leagues will be organized soon which will be run along the same lines as the major and minor leagues. The public owes the children of the city the facilities for playing, and the bureau is going to provide adequate playground accommodations. Society must treat its children "right" or suffer the consequences.

The bureau is making a study of the juvenile court records this week in order to be better advised as to the localities of real need for recreational facilities.

Boy Scout Department

The scouts have been enlisted in the "Brighter Portsmouth" campaign. They will be used in many ways by the committee.

Another troop for the East End which will be known as Troop 4, Mr. Ransom Lockwood is scoutmaster.

The Junior Basketball league plays tonight with the following schedule: Grays vs Evangelicals, Reds vs Centrals.

Troop 2 will hold an important meeting this evening at 7 o'clock.

Scout Patrol Leaders of Troop 8 will meet at the home of their scoutmaster Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Sells Blooded Stock.

A pure bred Jersey bull and heifer were sold to Dan Gleim of Wheelersburg yesterday by Alan Jordan. They were raised on Mr. Jordan's farm near Union Mills.

Miss Dolly Wise

She is here to answer any and all questions concerning love, matrimony, trouble, woes, etiquette, etc. Inquiries should be addressed to Miss Dolly Wise, care The Daily Times, Portsmouth, O. Office Phone 60.

Dear Miss Wise—Kindly give the reasons why the Episcopalians and Roman Catholics observe Lent.
Oblige G. A. R.

To Catholics and Episcopalians, Lent is a forty day period of fast and abstinence of prayer and meditation, and of moral and spiritual reconstruction. Our Lord fasted 40 days in the desert. His chief motive in undergoing that mortification was not to strengthen Himself for His subsequent encounter with the tempter, but to instruct us by His divine example to acquit ourselves worthily of an obligation imposed by the divine law in both the Old and New Dispensation. We learn from Holy Scripture that fasting is an important and indispensable part of virtue. The practice is indeed justified by reason as well as by revelation. Experience tells us there is a constant struggle going on between the spirit and the flesh, and that mortification of the body is a powerful means of preventing it from inciting us to rebellion against God. By denying ourselves the lawful pleasures of sense we are able to turn with greater freedom and earnestness to the thought of God and virtue, so that spiritual writers speak of fasting as one of the wings of prayer. Lastly, our conscience tells us, and even heathen writers have felt and acknowledged it—that we ought to suffer for our sins and mortify the flesh which has offended God. Self-denial therefore is the corner-stone of the Christian life. Our Lord clearly defines the necessity of this condition as a requisite for entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven: "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me." "Unless you do penance, you shall likewise perish," says Holy Writ; and there is one sense not often commented on in which that sentence is particularly true. Unless you fast, we may paraphrase it, you will assuredly shorten your days on earth. Gastronomic sins, over-eating and over-drinking, are perhaps the direct or indirect causes of more deaths than all the germs, bacilli and bacteria known to science. Bodily as well as spiritual health will, accordingly benefit from a certain period of fast. Lent is a season holy in its purpose and sacred in its realization. It is a time for contemplation—a season of prayer—weeks of thought which should steady the mind in God and beget indifference to a world that repudiates Him. Those who observe Lent in contrition hope for on Easter when the brightness of the risen Christ will show no more dark or unbidden spots, but will radiate in mind and soul with light similar to that it will find there. The Lutherans, the Greek church and many others also observe Lent.

Dear Dolly—Please tell me how I can get the love of my wife back to me. She is a good house-keeper and clean with it, but she don't take the interest in her work as she used to have. I have done her wrong and she knows as well as I do that I haven't been true to her. I got crazy about a young girl when my wife was sick and my wife found out for herself, so please tell me how to win her back as of old. I love her just the same, but she don't believe that I do.

A MAN WITH SEVERAL CHILDREN.

From your letter, I should say you were one of those people who are not sorry for what he has done, but because he was found out. Or, perhaps it would be fairer to say that you weren't so certain of the enormity of your offense until it was found out. For married people to "play around" with other people of the opposite sex is always dangerous, and it is pretty sure to be disastrous to whatever family begins it. In your case, if you are sincere enough and contrite enough, she may forgive you, and I think it would be quite safe for her to—because one lesson of the kind you have had is usually sufficient. Just be as good and kind to your wife and children as you know how, and go out with them as often as possible, and for the sake of her little ones she will probably forgive, even if she can't forget your temporary unfaithfulness.

My Dearest Dollie—I am a girl seventeen years of age, weigh one hundred pounds, have brown hair and blue eyes. Do you think I'm pretty?

FARMER'S WIFE.

You forget to mention what kind of nose, ears and chin you have. If your husband thinks you are good-looking you should worry about what anyone else thinks.

Dear Dolly—I am 11 years old. I am in the low sixth grade. The lowest on my card is 85. How is my writing and spelling? Do you think that I can get promoted on 92?

LITTLE WATER MAIDEN.

You'll get by on 92. Your spelling is all right and your writing just fair.

Dear Dolly—I am a girl 17 years old. Do you think that I am old enough to go with the boys?

BLUE-EYED DOLLY.

Ask your mother.

B—If you will send me the poem I will print it in the Doc Koko column, providing it isn't too long.

Dear Miss Wise—Here is a puzzle I would like for you to answer if you can. If it takes fifteen Company K boys with big rifles to arrest one of their number, how many of them would it take to capture one German soldier? Now, Dolly, this is no joke, because I saw the fifteen trying to take one man Wednesday night.

A BYSTANDER.

A whole regiment, I suppose.

SOCIETY

The Stephen Lindsley Guild of the First Presbyterian church recently organized at the home of Mrs. Raymond Willsee, on Gallia avenue, held a meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Emma Johnson, on Second street, where officers were elected as follows:

President—Miss Emma Johnson.
Vice-President—Mrs. George Webb.
Secretary—Mrs. Frank Baker.
Treasurer—Mrs. John Bunny.

The name of the society, "Stephen Lindsley," is the name of the first minister of the First Presbyterian church which was organized in 1817. The hundredth anniversary of the church will be celebrated in May. The place of the next meeting will be announced later.

Louis Werner, 28, of Ashland, Ky., and Miss Yetta Ewing, 20, of this city, were married at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning by Rev. Merchant S. Bush, at the First Presbyterian church. The young couple will reside in Ashland.

Miss Garnet Sowards of Greenup, Ky., who often visits friends here, has gone to Durham, N. C., to visit friends and on her return to Greenup she will be accompanied by several friends.

Miss Lena Hauck was hostess at this afternoon's meeting of the Boomerang Club at her home on Offnere street. Art needlework preceded dainty refreshments.

Miss Mildred Waller, of McDermott, has returned from a several days' visit with friends in Cincinnati and Covington.

The Priscillas were entertained this afternoon at the home of Miss Margaret Miller, on Sixth street. Misses Elizabeth and May Ricker and Mrs. Harry W. Miller were guests. The afternoon was spent in needlework, after which Miss Miller served lovely refreshments.

Mrs. George Mayer, of Offnere street, has gone to Cincinnati to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus McBrer have returned from Wellston, where they went to attend the funeral of little David Gettles, which was held Tuesday.

Meet Me At Nye's Fountain. 12tf

Miss Shirls Silk, of Waller street, left yesterday for Roanoke, Va., where she will visit among friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Rawson have returned from a visit in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Ben Hitchcock, of Firebrick, is a guest at the home of Mrs. F. C. Goodwin.

Mrs. Thomas Silk will leave Saturday for a week's visit in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Cornelia B. Trenthart and daughter, Mrs. Walter J. Mickleth-wait spent Wednesday in Cincinnati.

The B. B. I. will be entertained next Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Ledora White.

The Young People's Missionary Society of the Bigelow Methodist church will meet next Monday evening at the home of Miss Emma Johnston, 1303 Sixth street, where the assisting hostesses will be Miss Alice Trenthart and Miss Henrietta Hicks. All members are urged to bring a post-card and a two-cent stamp, as a post-card shower will be sent to Rev. Mr. Williams in China.

The next meeting of the Art Circle will be held March 15th at the home of Mrs. Harry Schirrmann.

The Bigelow Methodist Young People's Missionary Society will hold a sale of home-made candies Saturday afternoon in connection with the Ladies' Aid bake sale at Prichard's, on Gallia street.

The New Century Club will meet Friday afternoon at the Y. W. C. A., instead of at Mrs. George Grimes' home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Weiss (Jean Bertram) have arrived in Pueblo, Colorado, and are nicely located at the Congress Hotel.

The Woman's Union Missionary Society will meet in the Bible school room, in the Second Presbyterian church, Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. All interested in Missionary work are urged to attend.

The Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints' church held an all day sewing meeting today at the home of Mrs. Henry T. Bannon, where there was a large number of members present.

Miss Myrtle Culp, of the West Side, an employee of the Selby Shoe company, has taken up her residence at the Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. A. A. Wykoff came from Decatur, Brown county, this week to join her husband, Dr. Wykoff, who has gone into partnership with Dr. J. E. Rogers, 1316 Gallia street. Dr. Wykoff has been here a month. He and Mrs. Wykoff will stay at the home of Dr. Rogers until they build a home in New Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blair, who have been residing on a farm at Friendship for the past two years, moved to Columbus, Tuesday. Mr. Blair was a resident of Friendship over twelve years ago, and since then has lived in Colorado and Columbus.

The Hope Circle of the Hutchins Street Baptist church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Louella Chapman, of 1614 High street, Wednesday night. Seventeen members and three visitors were present. Refreshments followed the business session.

Mrs. Lucien Locke was hostess at this afternoon's meeting of the Thursday Afternoon Kensington Club at her home on Gallia avenue. Needlework was included in the afternoon's diversions, after which the hostess served delicious refreshments.

The Bigelow Methodist Woman's Home Missionary Society will meet next Tuesday afternoon, March 6th, at the home of Mrs. J. J. Rardin, 802 Waller street. The assisting hostesses will be Mesdames Adelaide Chandler, W. O. Feurt, Graham, Holbrook, Hitchcock, Hauck, Mackey, Glen Rardin, Wood, Miss Potts and Miss Hammond.

The Philathea Class of the First Baptist church met Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Mame Miller, on Twelfth street, there being twenty members and three visitors present. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Miss Mame Miller.
Vice-President—Miss Julia Johnson.
Secretary—Miss Inez Starcher.
Treasurer—Mrs. Nettie Woods.

After the regular business the hostesse served refreshments.

The regular monthly meeting of the German Evangelical Ladies' Aid Society was held yesterday afternoon in the church parlors, a special feature of the meeting being the celebration of the 82nd birthday anniversary of Mrs. Philip Zoellner, one of the older members of the society. A large number of the members were present to help celebrate the event. Ice cream, cake, coffee and coffee cake were served during the afternoon. Mrs. Zoellner, who is loved by all the members, was the recipient of many beautiful flowers in memory of the joyous event.

The Fourth Division of the Ladies' Aid Society of Bigelow church will hold the last bake sale at Prichard's Saturday, March 10th.

The Chatham Concert Company will appear in Bigelow church March 20th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

The C. N. C. held an enjoyable meeting at the home of Miss Alma Smith, on Third street. Games and music were followed by refreshments.

Dr. Leo L. Thomas will arrive tonight to join Mrs. Thomas, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Locher, and tomorrow they will go to their home in Columbus.

The Rebecca Kensington will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Bihlman, 1405 Eleventh street.

Miss Katherine Dawson is able to go out driving and is recovering nicely from an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Emma Daehler will entertain the Thursday Evening Kensington Club Friday afternoon at her home on Eighth street.

Le Cercle Francais will meet next Monday afternoon at the home of Miss Edna Marting, in Sunnyside.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank friends and neighbors for kindness shown us during illness and death of our baby Harold. Rev. Hart for his consoling words and George Pfeiffer for his services.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT BURT.

adv 1-1t

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all for sympathy and kindness shown us during illness of our darling baby Lucille who died at New Boston February 22, 1917; for the beautiful floral offerings, Rev. King and Undertaker George Pfeiffer.

MR. AND MRS. OSCAR HOFFMAN. adv 1-1t

Important "Central" Meeting

Following a meeting of the board at the Central Presbyterian church tonight there will be an important business meeting, Rev. Cartwright announced Thursday. All men are urged to attend this meeting.

Fire Does $2,000 Damage To Portsmouth Engine Co. Plant

A lurid spotch, noticed by Officer George Harding, sharply outlined against the snow-covered hills of the West Side, led to the discovery of a costly fire at the machine shop of The Portsmouth Engine company, Fourth and Jefferson streets, this morning at 2:20 o'clock.

The entire roof of the machine shop and tool room of this concern was destroyed. A large quantity of leather belting and pulley hangings were also ruined.

None of the machinery was damaged as far as could be ascertained last night. The total damage from fire was placed at about $2,000 by Fire Chief George Loerner. It is covered by insurance.

There were many strange features about the fire, which tend to create an impression among the firemen that it was of incendiary origin.

The machine shop and tool house had not been used for several days, and the fire started near the roof. A large pile of oil waste was found near there.

Officer Harding walked around the plant shortly before two o'clock and there was no evidence of fire. The patrolman walked down Jefferson street to Second and up Second street to Lynn's livery barn.

Here he found that the undertaking wagon had started out on a trip and had an accident. While assisting the driver to repair the wagon Officer Harding glanced over toward the Portsmouth Engine company's plant and saw the red flare, outlined against the snow.

The alarm was sounded. The Seventh Street and East End Fire companies responded. This was at 2:20 o'clock. In just one hour the fire was out. Twelve hundred feet of hose was used in fighting the flames, which had gained considerable headway before discovered.

The machine shop is a one-story brick structure, the roof of which was constructed in saw tooth fashion, so as to allow maximum lighting facilities. A large quantity of valuable machinery is used in the shop.

The belting arrangements were destroyed. But the machinery was not injured by the heat. Neither was the concrete floor cracked.

Adjoining the machine shop and tool room is the wood working department and across the street is the foundry.

The Hazlebeck company will insure you. 819 Gallia street. adv

Mr. Baker Suffers Fall

Fred J. Baker, former court bailiff, had a small gash cut in his head Wednesday afternoon when he fell on the iron cellar door in front of the Central Hardware company, Second and Washington streets. The snow on the iron door caused him to slip and fall. Baker lives at 1415 Seventeenth street.

New Bungalow

Mrs. August Beaumont has awarded a contract to R. L. Hopkins to erect a bungalow for her on the Scioto Trail.

Back From Trip

Stanley Hopkins has returned from a several weeks trip through Indiana, Illinois and Missouri in the interest of the Whitaker-Glessner company.

Police Unearth New Form Of Gambling

A new form of gambling has been going on in Portsmouth, the police say they learned Wednesday night when a man registering as J. W. McGinniss was arrested. He is charged with circulating pocket sales books, which take the place of punch boards driven out of the city some time ago by Mayor Kaps.

These sales books contain numbers from 1 to 36 and in addition to each number winning a prize of some kind there is a grand prize. Mayor Kaps stated today that each book would bring $8.25 if sold and the material given away he said was not worth more than $2. McGinnis had already circulated 60 books and was in line for a clean up in the city if the police had not arrested him. McGinnis was picked up on Chillicothe street last night by Capt. Roma Walker, his arrest following an all day search in which the entire police force took part so determined was Mayor Kaps that the distributor of these cards should be apprehended.

McGinnis told Mayor Kaps that he had been here two weeks and was representing a Pittsburgh firm. He admitted that he had circulated the pocket sales books among women and young girls, being particularly anxious to place them in the hands of girls, who were asked to dispose of them among their friends. When they sold a book they received a wrist watch attached to a leather belt. Mayor Kaps says the outfit was not worth 50 cents.

"We simply unearthed a walking punch board in Portsmouth in the arrest of McGinnis", Mayor Kaps said in police court this morning.

GO OVER PLANS FOR IRONTON HOTEL

Ironton, O., March 1.—The directors of the new Hotel Corporation held a meeting Wednesday afternoon to discuss the plans of the new building which is to be erected soon.

Architect W. B. Richards, of the Architect firm of Richards, McCarty, Bulford & Co., of Columbus, was present and went over some tentation plans of the proposed hotel with them. Mr. Richards has not yet been employed as the architect of the building, but will present some plans for the approval of the directors. Mr. Richards was the architect of the new court house and it is putting it mildly to say that his work in that connection was highly pleasing.

K Boys Sent To Jail

Following a summary Military court, held at the Company K armory Wednesday evening, Elven Hodge and Shirley Ruel, two privates, were sentenced to the county jail for a period of fifteen days. Capt. W. J. Keyes conducted the court proceedings. The boys were tried on charges of disorderly conduct, Capt. Keyes says.

Sciotoville And Wheelersburg

SCIOTOVILLE

Miss Muriel Stewart, clerk at K. N. Nagel's grocery, who is off duty suffering with tonsilitis, remains about the same.

Mrs. Ida Little, of Main street, spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. Norman Apel, of East Portsmouth.

Dr. J. W. Hutchens, of Main street, is obliged to ride horse back to make his country calls daily. The roads are too muddy to us a machine.

Will Simonton is ill with grip at his home on Broadway street.

Jack Cummins has taken employment with the Portsmouth Telephone company.

Work is progressing nicely on Mayor Davis's theatre on Main street. J. C. Harris having completed the brick work on the side walls, is now working on the brick arch at the front of the building.

Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Halstead, of Main street, who is ill with measles, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Isaac Price of Jackson street, who has been ill with pneumonia for several weeks, is able to sit up a little each day.

George Shafer is ill at his home on Fourth avenue.

Miss Nell Prather, of Broadway street, who has been ill with grip for several days, resumed her duties as milliner at the Style Shop, Portsmouth, Thursday.

Rev. F. W. Chade left Thursday for Rio Grande where he will attend a trustee meeting.

WHEELERSBURG

The Concord Grange will meet Saturday evening in the McCurdy hall on Main street. The program for the evening is as follows:

Roll call.

Response, "What I Learned at the Extension School."

Song—By Grange.

Song—By Ladies Quartette.

Recitation—Miss Mary Barney.

Paper—"Beauty and Blessings of Country Life," by Mrs. George Smith.

Paper—"Preparation and Care of Meat in Winter for Summer Use," by Wesley Shela.

Recitation—Miss Minnie Burns.

Song—By Grange.

The social committee of the "Merry Workers" class gave a kensington Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Haskins of Main street. The house was beautifully decorated in the class colors, gold and purple. The afternoon was spent in music and contests in which Mrs. Dora Sherman and Mrs. Fred Shela won first prizes after which Mrs. Haskins served a dainty lunch. The social committee is composed of Mesdames Philip Pfarr, Ed Ransbahous, Norman Adams, John Haffner and James Haskins.

Rev. P. C. Wolf and George Koch of Main street were visitors in Portsmouth Thursday.

Hon. Henry T. Bannon will give a lecture on his trip through Yellowstone National Park, illustrating his lecture with stereopticon views at the M. E. church Friday evening March 2. All are invited. No admission will be charged.

Misses Carrie and Myrle Sowers, Russell Jones and A. K. Wheeler of Portsmouth were the guests Wednesday of Mrs. Philip Pfarr of Nirvana.

Miss Bessie Ach's class of the M. E. Sunday school met Tuesday evening with Miss Mabel Smith of Nirvana with the following present: Elinor Dold, Helen Mackey, Ethel Dyer, Grace and Erma Koch, Maisie Hunsinger, Lucile Burke, Carrie Pfarr, Lorinde Preston, Mabel Ruth and Helen Smith. The devotional and business session was followed by a social hour during which many beautiful piano recitations were given. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. John Oakes and daughter Doris Mae of Main street are spending a few days with relatives at Huntington.

Mrs. J. R. Smith of Nirvana will spend next week with relatives at Cincinnati.

James Lemones of the Whitaker-Glessner company is ill with grip at his home in Nirvana.

Mrs. Heflin Is Saved From Operating Table

Brother and Sister Both Relieved by Remedy Available to Any One.

MRS. CARRIE HEFLIN.

In her gratitude for a remedy that saved her from the possible necessity for an operation, Mrs. Carrie Heflin, of Conts, Kans., writes: "Had it not been for Fruitola and Traxo I might have been on the operating table by now. It relieved me of at least one hundred and fifty gall stones. It surely does work wonders. My brother also had suffered for years and has been greatly benefitted by Fruitola and Traxo."

Fruitola and Traxo are compounded from the original Edsall formulas at the Pinus laboratories in Monticello, Ill., and can be purchased in drug stores; a doctor's prescription is not necessary. Fruitola is a pure fruit oil that acts as an intestinal lubricant and disintegrates the hardened particles that cause so much suffering, discharging the accumulated waste to the sufferer's intense relief. One dose is usually sufficient to indicate its efficacy. Traxo is a tonic-alterative that is most effective to rebuild and restore the weakened, rundown system.

A booklet of special interest to those who suffer from stomach trouble can be obtained by writing to the Pinus Laboratories, Monticello, Illinois.

THEATRICAL

America Maids Musical Comedy at the Sun

The America Maids are attracting well filled houses at the Sun this week and this company is giving general satisfaction. Some late and popular song hits are introduced. The comedy is good and clean, while the singing and dancing chorus of beautiful young ladies are on the stage most of the time. It's just one good wholesome big laugh that will make the people sit back in their seats comfortably and forget whatever troubles may be waiting for them outside of the theatre. One of the big features besides the musical comedy is the Ham and Bud comedy also Jackie Saunders the popular screen star in "The Better Instinct." You get your moneys worth at the Sun. Two big shows for the price of one. Matinee daily, 10c. Any seat evenings 10 and 20c. The program changes in its entirety tomorrow while the pictures are changed every day. Big special matinee especially for children Saturday, 5c admits them to any seat.

Moving To Kentucky

Mrs. James Jordan is moving from 2560 Gallia street to Smith Creek, Carter county, Ky.

Brakeman Is Injured

Columbus, March 1.—James McCaully, aged 51, a brakeman employed by the Norfolk & Western railroad, sustained scalp wounds and a sprained left arm when brake chains which he was using fell from the top of a box car upon his head at the N. & W. tracks and Joyce avenue Wednesday morning. He was taken to Mt. Carmel hospital for treatment.

THE LATEST IN SPORTDOM

BOWLING

DUCK PIN LEAGUE
Standing

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rail Birds	14	10	.583
Dy Dippers	13	11	.542
Cat Birds	12	12	.500
June Bugs	9	15	.375

Games Next Week
Cat Birds vs. Rail Birds, Monday.
Dy Dippers vs. June Bugs, Wednesday.

Rolling in fine form, those Rail Birds handed Jim Kelley's June Bugs a terrific defeat at the Play House alleys last night, grabbing three in a row and putting themselves in the lead by a margin of one game. The Rail Birds with the exception of Greshell, were in splendid form and the June Bugs never had a chance. Too bad, for Captain Jim is a mighty valiant leader, but his men floundered around like so many blind ducks in a pond. Capt. Kelley had high score, 147. George Drake, of the Rail Birds, shot high average and put his name up among the leaders. Capt. John Wilhelm, Heisel and "Scotty," that great magpie and chatterbox—did nobly. The scores:

JUNE BUGS—			
Charlton	105	113	90
Blind	109	109	109
McCoy	110	84	81
Krieker	98	97	111
Dudutt	86	94	89
Sheridan	89	107	109
Kelley	147	95	109
Totals	735	699	689
RAIL BIRS—			
Scott	108	116	102
Heisel	122	115	124
Greshell	88	102	98
Drake	125	124	133
Blind	100	100	100
J. Wilhelm	125	134	117
Blind	100	100	100
Totals	768	791	768

WHITAKER-GLESSNER LEAGUE
Standing

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Inspectors	7	2	.778
S. and B. Dept.	6	3	.667
S. and J. Dept.	3	6	.333
Main Office	2	7	.222

Games Next Week
S. and B. Dept. vs. Inspectors.
S. and J. Dept. vs. Main Office.

The Inspectors, despite some rather inferior work, kept their heads in the games with the S. and J. Dept. team of the Whitaker-Glessner league at the Play House, last night, and captured three games in a row, giving them a nice margin as first place leaders. Eynon and J. Smith shot 200 scores. Some of the stars failed to twinkle last night despite the fact that conditions were perfect. The scores:

S. AND J. DEPT.—			
J. Smith	151	201	121
H. Moore	132	134	157
Lonliffe	148	129	166
Eynon	207	182	151
Walters	116	170	180
Totals	794	816	778
INSPECTORS—			
Orr	147	150	155
Keiser	150	155	166
Webb	150	163	182
McMahon	198	173	145
F. Prediger	176	170	150
Totals	821	811	798

Tyrus Cobb May Regain Lost Crown

Detroit, March 1.—Tyrus Cobb, the superman of baseball, will make the supreme effort of his career to regain his batting laurels this season. Only those who are close to the great Detroit outfielder and who have watched him perform, season after season, realize the keen disappointment which came to him last fall when he was compelled to remove his batting crown and hand it to his bosom friend, Tris Speaker.

Cobb had led the American league for nine consecutive seasons. His ambition was to lead it for a decade. He failed, and, as he is now more than 30 years old—and certainly not quite as fast as he was three years ago—there is virtually no chance that he can lead his league for a span of ten years.

But Cobb, one of the gamest ballplayers that ever lived, is going to try. He has spent the winter in the open, keeping his nerves steady, his body strong and his eyes clear. He already has told Manager Jennings that he will report with the veterans at Waxahachie, Tex., on March 10.

City League

In the City Basketball league tonight the Whitaker-Glessner Fellowship club five will clash with the Club quintet at the Club at 8 o'clock. The Club quintet is in the cellar, not having annexed a game so far but tonight they are counting on turning in their first victory with the steel plant five as their victims.

The Whitaker-Glessner quintet is standing third in the league and in the last few games have been fighting hard to get out of that hole. Their last few games have been lost by small margins. Strickland will not be in the game for the steel plant team tonight. Armentrout, the old reliable, will be on hand and he will fill the hole caused by Strickland's absence. Kahmer is back into the game for the Club along with Kendall, star center and Uhl and Spangler chief forwards.

Team May Arrive Early

Clyde Strickland, business manager of the P. H. S. basketball team, sent a letter to the management of the Gallipolis Academy high school five Wednesday notifying the up river squad to try and reach Portsmouth Friday afternoon on the N. and W. train due at 3:45, so that the game can be started at 7 o'clock sharp.

The sixth number on the high school lecture course will be given at 8 o'clock Friday night.

Marlin, Texas, March 1.—The Giants went to work today. Manager John J. McGraw has arrived. Benny Kauff saw him first and hit a fair ball over the fence. Infielders and pitchers are getting all the attention so far.

May Buy Cardinals

St. Louis, Mo., March 1.—The Cardinal baseball team may be handled by a large number of St. Louisans as practically a municipal proposition if the plans for a new syndicate, headed by James C. Jones, an attorney, mature. Jones, with a number of backers, has secured an option on the team from Mrs. Helene Hathaway Britton for $350,000, good until Saturday, and is busily engaged in perfecting novel plans for conducting a ball team.

"SAFETY FIRST"

Sunday golf is in vogue now in almost every city of the United States. Golfers are forbidden to play on the public courses of only two big cities—Boston and Kansas City—on Sunday. Why? For the simple reason that life would be endangered owing to the crowded condition of these pleasure spots.

SPORTLETS

Cincinnati, March 1.—A telegram to President Herrmann from Ivy Wingo yesterday brought the welcome information that the red-topped backstop had signed his 1917 contract, which is now on its way to this city, and that he will leave his home for the training camp on Saturday.

A duck pin team of this city will go to Huntington tonight to play Huntington's best duck pin artists at the Majestic alleys. The local players will be George McMullen, Ed Grant, George Wilhelm, Ed Leach and Ed Kelley. Will Gableman, Art Hamm and Henry Charlton will also make the trip. The trip will be made on the 2:53 C. and O.

Charleston, W. Va., March 1.—Harry Dunbert, leading shortstop in the Ohio State league last season, who played two years with Charleston, has signed a contract with Evansville, in the Central league for 1917. Milt Curtis and Fred Olton, also infielders in Ohio State teams last season, and Frank Barron of St. Marys, who had a trial as pitcher with the Washington Americans one year ago, have signed with Rocky Mount, in the Virginia league.

Columbus, March 1.—Jack Perry is happy. The Italian welterweight is nearer no win "finding himself" than at any time since he started boxing here in Columbus. Jack took the bull by the horns and started an invasion last week. Three days later he took a bout on a day's notice and trimmed a 150-pound fighter, Ray Parks, at Braddock, Pa. Jack says he has bouts promised for Pittsburgh and many towns in the immediate vicinity. He is booked to box again this week—the opponent to have been selected yesterday. Then Jack is going to Philadelphia, to fight often and get that "fighting spirit" lost through inactivity in his long lay-offs between bouts here.

Outfielder Roush of the Reds is a genuine holdout. He says he will not dip the quill in the ink until his salary is given a healthy boost over last year. Roush was formerly a Giant, and he created no furore in the National league by his playing after garbing himself in Red hose.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 1.—Richmond, Ind., will be awarded the Terre Haute franchise in the Central league, according to announcement by League President E. W. Dickerson Tuesday on his return from the Hoosier city. It is stated that a strong corporation has been formed to back the club there.

Philadelphia, March 1.—Wally Schang, catcher, signed his contract with the Philadelphia American league baseball team today. He was the last of the big three holdouts, Strunk and Bush having signed yesterday.

Philadelphia, March 1.—Charles A. Chief Bender, the Indian pitcher, was made a defendant in a suit for $15,000 damages instituted in common pleas court here today by Mrs. Bessie Curran, widow of John Curran, who was killed February 17 by an automobile driven by Bender. Judge Shoemaker issued a capias for Bender, fixing bail at $1,000. Bender assisted of negligence by the coroner's jury yesterday.

Philadelphia, March 1—The first squad of the Philadelphia Americans left today for the spring training camp at Florida. In the squad were eight pitchers and two catchers, accompanied by Manager Mack. They will go to St. Pierce, Fla., where they will work out until March 10, when they will join the regulars at Jacksonville.

At the Steel Plant

Henry Long has taken a job in the plant of the Whitaker-Glessner company.

In Selby Plant.

E. P. Fischer, Columbus, has taken a position in the efficiency department in the Selby shoe plant.

Ohio is Falling

The Ohio river is again rising at this point, the gauge at 7 o'clock this morning showing a stage of 22.5.

The Greenland was the up-river boat today for Pomeroy and the Greenwood will go up Friday from Cincinnati for Pomeroy.

Thousands of people go through TIMES WANT ADS every night They read them with profit.

OPEN AND SHUT SEASON FOR DUCKS

"The spring duck season opened today in Ohio but hunters are warned not to shoot ducks as the government has not recognized the Ohio spring duck law and will arrest any one caught shooting ducks." Deputy Game Warden Harry Ball said Thursday.

Local Man Among Six Prisoners Who Escaped From Ironton Jail

Ironton, March 1—Defective bars on the county jail windows allowed six prisoners to escape Wednesday afternoon. The delivery was accomplished during the brief space of a half hour, while the prisoners were supposed to be taking their bath, and immediately after it was discovered by Sheriff Charles Hutchinson and Deputy Sheriff Dillon, they notified all surrounding cities and villages and then started in pursuit of the escaped prisoners.

Three of the men were caught last night at about 10:30 o'clock at Lawrence Furnace by Sheriff Charles Hutchinson, Chief of Police Mayne and Constable George McKee. The men were Jerry Cooper, the federal prisoner, Robert Johnson, notorious highway robber, Hanna McGarvey, who was in jail for a misdemeanor. They were brought back to this city and are now held at the county jail.

The prisoners who escaped were Andy Depriest, charged with cutting with intent to kill and under a penitentiary sentence; Jerry Cooper, charged with robbing the U. S. mails at Portsmouth during the holiday season; Gilbert McGarvey, serving a jail sentence for a misdemeanor and with but fifteen more days to serve; the notorious Robert Johnson, charged with highway robbery, and William Berry and John Hale, serving jail sentences for misdemeanors.

Sheriff Hutchinson, Deputy Sheriff Dillon, Ex-Sheriff Glenn R. Sloan, Chief of Police George Mayne and the entire police force of the city took up the pursuit of the men, and the river bank was closely guarded to prevent their escape into Kentucky. The West Virginia authorities were also notified to guard the river bank and prevent the flight of the prisoners to that state.

The prisoners escaped via a rear window, through a space that seemed hardly eight inches in width.

Sheriff E. W. Smith of this city received word from Sheriff Hutchison of Ironton last night to keep a close lookout for the men who are missing.

Elks Entertain District Deputy; Nominations For New Year

Members of Portsmouth Lodge B. P. O. Elks, Wednesday evening had the privilege of entertaining District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler U. F. Bickley, of Hamilton, O., and whose territory embraces Southwestern Ohio. He was here in his official capacity and inspected the local lodge.

At the conclusion of the inspection Mr. Bickley, who is one of the leading attorneys of Hamilton, enthusiastically praised the lodge for its splendid turnout, the impressive manner in which a class of five candidates was initiated and the efficient work of the officers. Mr. Bickley made an excellent talk in which he took the occasion to throw a bouquet to his bosom friend Karl Zoellner, past district deputy grand exalted ruler, Grand Exalted Ruler Edward W. Righter of New Orleans and Thomas J. Cogan of Cincinnati, who is tipped as the next grand exalted ruler.

Mr. Bickley gave a brief review of what Elkdom has done in the past year and how rapidly it is growing in all sections of the country and his talk was thoroughly enjoyed. He is a genial clever gentleman and made many friends during his brief stay in the River City.

Nominations for the annual election of the local lodge to be held in two weeks were made last night as follows:

Exalted Ruler
Paul Esselborn
Leading Knight
Anselm Skelton
Chalmer Davis
Loyal Knight
Sidney Anderson
Floyd C. Fuller
Lecturing Knight
W. H. Harsha
W. P. Minego
Tiler
Thos. Nichols
Secretary
Clarence Nodler
Otto Maiter
Treasurer
George E. Kricker
Delegate to Grand Lodge
Thos. K. Brushart
Alternate to Grand Lodge
Karl Zoellner

Five candidates as follows were initiated last night: Dr. Oral D. Talje, William Bolles, C. E. Korns, Percy Haubert and Stanley Prichard.

The lodge unanimously decided to turn over its commodious quarters to members of the Ohio City Editors' Association, who will hold their mid-summer meeting here Saturday, June 2 and 3.

Following the meeting at which more than 100 members were present a splendid banquet was enjoyed. Fifteen hustling and tray-carrying antlers served the four course banquet and served it with neatness and despatch, in fact the waiters made a big hit. They were right on the job and Joe Kountz marshalled his forces like a veteran.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable meeting and before taking his departure for his home in Hamilton District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler U. F. Bickley said it was one of the most enthusiastic meetings he had ever attended, he being greatly impressed with the enthusiasm and spirit shown by the lodge, which now has a membership near the 350 mark.

PORTSMOUTH MAN TELLS ABOUT THE FOOD RIOTS IN NEW YORK CITY

From the standpoint of a visitor, New York up until Sunday, last, was much more excited over the food riots than the submarine crisis. This was before the present situation was brought about.

H. Glenn Duis, who went to New York several days ago to purchase goods for the Marting Dry Goods Company, writes to a local friend:

"I was down to Brooklyn bridge but there were no marines on duty—only a couple of blue coats.

"Neither did I get to see the "Vaterland", as I found that all of the German ships were lying over at Hoboken, N. J., and it was too late yesterday, as well as too cold, to make the trip.

"Food riots are occupying most of the attention of the citizens here, now. Ralph Marting and I saw about a dozen speakers talking to a big crowd at Madison Square Saturday evening.

"The father and mother of a New York salesman, who makes Portsmouth frequently, had rather a harrowing experience not long ago. They had motored down on the East Side to a fish market to buy some fish, believing that the fish would be much better there.

"It semed that the foreign women there had been boycotting the fish markets on account of the raise in price. But no trouble was expected by the man and woman.

"As the two came out of the fish market, a crowd of women rushed them. One pulled a handful of hair out of the lady's head. The two managed to make their way to the automobile, but not before they were pretty badly used up."

Do You Remember?

These Things Happened Twenty-five Years Ago

When John Hanna, who at one time was a prominent printer and publisher of Portsmouth, died at his home in Chicago. He was in partnership with Stephen P. Drake while the Tribune and Clipper were being published, and later with A. McFarland, who published The Daily Tribune. He was also publisher of the Circleville Herald and the Chillicothe Metropolis. In Portsmouth he lived in the J. C. Hibbs home on Front street.

When Sherrard Johnson, youngest child in the Sam Johnson household on Second street, was suffering with scarlet fever. His was the third case in the family.

When the betrothal of A. Schapiro, local rabbi, and Miss Celia Schloss was announced in the Synagogue. The bride was a daughter of Mathias Schloss, of Chillicothe street.

When H. H. Bostwick received an injury to his left eye while repairing a sewing machine Friday, Feb. 26.

When Means and Smith were building a stone and frame dwelling for Conrad Staker on Pine Creek.

When Willard J. Kelley and Miss Lucy Whitman, of near Haverhill, were married Wednesday, Feb. 24, by Mayor Hall.

When word was received of the death of Miss Helen Davis, youngest daughter of Rev. F. S. Davis, who was stationed at Sixth Street church prior to Rev. Fagan. Miss Davis died in New Lexington, O.

Is B. & O. S. W. Detective

Bird Benner, a former policeman, who had been employed on the C. & O. N. bridge, in course of construction at Sciotoville, has accepted a position as detective with the B. & O. S.W. and he left Thursday for Chillicothe to take up his new work. His headquarters will be in Athens.

EASTERN PART OF COUNTY PAYS THREE TIMES AS MUCH TAXES AS WESTERN PART OF COUNTY

Not considering the taxes collected in Portsmouth and New Boston for the first half of 1916, the eastern part of the county pays just about three times as much as the western part of the county. In size the two portions are about equal.

This comparison is shown on a study of the distribution sheet, which was recently completed by Gilbert F. Dodds, county treasurer. This shows that the eastern part pays $95,931.79 and the western part, $32,940.58.

The figures used are:

Eastern Part

Bloom, $6,996.42; South Webster district, $288.93; South Webster, $1,837.81; Clay township, $12,420.68; Green township, $12,185.74; Haverhill school district, $1,159.78; Harrison township, $5,132.32; Harrisonville school district, $696.18; Jefferson township, $1,764.86; Madison township, $6,768.57; California school district, $84.36; Porter township, $7,980.40; Wheelersburg school district, $12,847.79; Valley township, $14,278.90; Vernon township, $3,152.10; Vernon Special School District, $55.49, and Sciotoville, $8,281.46.

Western Part

Brush Creek township, $2,421.81; Otway school district, $1,306.51; Otway, $1,183.43; Morgan township $2,780.79; Nile township, $4,404.95; Buena Vista school district, $729.22; Galena school district, $733.69; Rarden, $1,018.76; Rush township, $6,851.58; Union township, $3,380.03; Washington township, $6,386.81, and Camp Creek school district, $62.24.

Portsmouth corporation pays $264,725.20 and New Boston corporation, $30,247.08.

Seven Tires Stolen

Seven automobile tires were stolen from the Harvey O. Lindsey garage, 1664 Highland avenue, the fore part of the week. Two men were arrested by the police Wednesday night and are being held on a charge of larceny, in connection with the theft.

The two men are Melvin Jenkins, notorious thief and James Gregg, alias Craig, the father of the imbecile boy, Lennie Gregg, who caused the county officials considerable trouble not long ago.

Sergeant John Smith has information that the two men disposed of the tires to Dan Labold, local junk dealer.

Part of the tires were stolen Sunday evening and the rest on Monday evening.

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OHIO UNIVERSITY AND O. S. U.

We read with much interest Mr. Aronhold Schapiro's card in Wednesday night's paper in which he spoke in favor of the Lloyd bill which would take the name of Ohio University at Athens and give it to Ohio State University at Columbus. We do not blame Mr. Schapiro in standing up for his alma mater, for being loyal to her ambitions and her dreams. We too would like to see the institution at Columbus become one of the greatest in the land, but we want her to do it without working injustice upon other colleges and institutions of learning in the state.

After reading Mr. Schapiro's card we picked up a copy of the Athens Daily Messenger and therein we came across an editorial relating to the proposed change and it is so iteresting that we reproduce it and recommend it to the prayerful consideration of Mr. Schapiro and other O. S. U. alumni in this county:

"'It is a small college, but there are those who love it,' said Daniel Webster in his famous Dartmouth speech. Ohio University can no longer be called a small college, but there are tens of thousands who love it, men and women, boys and girls, who, at some time during the past hundred years, have come under its influence.

"On February 18, 1804, the legislature passed an act 'establishing a university in the town of Athens,' and gave it a name—Ohio University. This was not the first legislation in regard to the pioneer college in the great Northwest. But it was the first legislation dealing specifically with the name 'Ohio University.'

"This was passed one hundred and thirteen years ago—a long time ago in the history of a nation whose Declaration of Independence was made but one hundred and forty-one years ago. Is there another college in Ohio or any state west of Ohio with a longer and more honorable career than that of Ohio University?

"Picture in your imagination the coming together of the first Board of Trustees of this pioneer college of our beloved State of Ohio. Dr. Eliphaz Perkins had located at Athens, for he had learned that the new college of the west was to be located there. He lived in a double log house, a rather imposing structure for those early days. There were two large rooms on the lower floor with a wide hall separating the rooms. At this house the first board meeting was held on June 4, 1804.

"Can you see that early board coming from different parts of our pioneer country, not in the luxury of a parlor car, but on horseback. There comes Governor Tiffin who has ridden on horseback all the way from Chillicothe, traversing woods and fording streams, in order to be present at the first meeting of the Trustees of Ohio University. Samuel Carpenter came from Lancaster, Rev. James Kilbourne from Worthington, and Rufus Putnam from Marietta. They came along bridle paths, stopped here and there at pioneer huts for their entertainment. 'These men,' writes Mr. Walker in his History of Athens County, 'had traveled fifty to one hundred miles, by blind paths or Indian trails, through dense forests inhabited by wild animals, to this embryo village, for the purpose of establishing an institution of learning.'

"Of these men, Governor Tiffin and Rufus Putnam are the best known. Judge Backus and Judge Woodbridge were graduates of Yale; the Rev. Daniel Story was a graduate of Dartmouth; Rev. James Kilbourne was the first settler at Worthington, Ohio; Doctor Perkins, at whose home they met, was not a trustee, but was very active in the establishment of the university. He, too, was a graduate of Yale.

"On May 3, 1815, a committee of the Board of Trustees appointed to examine the first graduating class, reported that 'Thomas Ewing and John Hunter merit the approbation of the Board of Trustees and that they are each entitled to the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Sciences.' Fifteen years after this, Thomas Ewing was in the United States senate, and later became Secretary of the Treasury, and then Secretary of the Interior. He also later was one of the trustees of Ohio University. Another trustee of these early times was Charles R. Sherman, father of John Sherman and General W. T. Sherman.

"The oldest college building in Ohio is still standing on the Ohio University campus. It is now called Manasseh Cutler Hall. It was erected in 1817 at a cost of $17,000, a small sum in comparison with the magnificent sums since appropriated by the State of Ohio for educational purposes but what sacrifices this small sum must have cost those early pioneers and how grand and palatial the buildings must have seemed to the boys who came to the University from the pioneer homes of Ohio!

"The history of Ohio University is a long and honorable one. Its sons and daughters, some widely known, some unknown to the book of fame, have played their part in the development of our great nation. They love their Alma Mater. Her name is dear to their hearts. They feel that any act of legislation which would tend to destroy the integrity of the name which their institution has held for over a century would be a gross act of injustice."

Of course there is always the dreadful possibility that Mr. Kearns, our esteemed congressman, may emulate the example of Hon. R. Switzer, and send us a couple of rusty cannon just to show that he is alive to the emergencies that confront the nation.

We confess to having no more curiosity than a full grown flea but at any rate we would like to know if Ironton filed her city officials, with all their red light music proclivities, along with her other choice exhibits designed to seduce the armor plate board into selecting her as a site for the government armor plate plant.

What makes us pretty mad at the Imperial German government, almost to the point at times of endangering our neutrality, is the way she assumes such an air of grieved surprise when, after she has blown up a ship belonging to some nation that has no more to do with the war than a rabbit, said nation seems to be somewhat provoked.—Ohio State Journal.

By polling a number of conspicuous experts on the question "Is it ever right to lie?" a New York minister has learned that although it may not be right it is not unfashionable.—New York Sun.

FORCE OF HABIT

CRITICISING

One of the worst examples of humanity is the man who gets mad easily. He is touched on the raw by every little untoward circumstance that falls his way. It is a very unfortunate disposition. There is not much sense in getting mad any time. It does no good and may do much harm. The man who flares up because he is criticised shows a weakness that is pretty fair proof that the criticism is well directed. If we got mad every time we were found fault with we would go out and whip the mayor, the governor, Dr. Gladden and all the fellows of our size that we could find. But we don't get mad. We rather like a criticism. It is like a little breeze blowing around the corner, scattering the dust and making room for the sunshine. The only thing about criticism that we don't like is hate. We don't want people so burdened to criticise us, for we are certainly free from it when we criticise them. So, brethren, don't be scared about anything except your own venom. We are not, even of that.—Ohio State Journal.

One of our commissioners says that he is glad to see that the citizens of Sciotoville rose enmasse to say "Amen" to the proposition that the crossing under the B. & O. tracks be repaired and made passable. "Now," said the commissioner, "if the same citizens will just get busy enmasse and repair the crossing, all will be well. It is their plain duty to do so, and not that of the commissioners for the crossing is within the corporate limits of Sciotoville. Under the law the commissioners cannot expend money within the corporate limits of a town so it is up to the government of Sciotoville." And so "the buck is passed" to Sciotoville. Let the council of the town get busy and fix up the eye sore at once.

All is not joy and peace in the publication of a newspaper. Take Wednesday for instance. The leased wire over which The Times receives its telegraphic news was put out of business by the snow storm, having broken somewhere between here and Columbus. The Western Union only had one commercial wire working out of town towards Columbus and could not rig up another. Arrangements were then made with the dispatcher's office of the N. & W. to borrow a wire from them for a time as their wires were in good shape. In the meantime bulletin messages were sent by the press association over the commercial wire of the Western Union and finally about one o'clock our own leased wire "kicked in," having been repaired. From that time on to press time service was uninterrupted.

Judging by the manner in which our eminent lawyers are all getting rich and soaking down their hard earned cash into real estate, we have concluded that we made a mistake some 20 years ago when we decided that law was a dull and listless profession and that there was more chance in a minute to get rich and famous in the printer's trade than there would be in the law business in a century.

It has been said that about the only things left which may be had at reasonable prices are the luxuries.—Marion Star.

Class Teams Play Tonight

The basket ball game to be played in the German Evangelical gym tonight between Will Hazelbeck's class and L. Weiss' class will start promptly at eight o'clock. On the Hazelbeck team will be Rowe, Kugelman, Linck, Durendeck, Kab, Bender and Uhl. On the Weiss team will be Hensge, Graf, Multer, Schusky, Brunner, Peetker and Devoss.

Back From Arizona

Representative W. R. Sprague has returned to Columbus from a business trip to Arizona, where he was called last week.

To Plant Record Crops

J. E. Hackworth, well known farmer, Charter, Lewis county, Ky., was in the city Wednesday looking after his property here. Mr. Hackworth says that preparations are being made by the farmers there to plant a record crop of tobacco this spring.

Called To Marietta

Mr. Andrew Reinhard, of Eighth street, received a telegram Wednesday evening announcing the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. George Davis, at Marietta, O. He left this morning for her bedside. Mr. Reinhard was born and raised in Marietta.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.
By O. O. McINTYRE.

New York, March 1—He has ten medals for bravery in the trenches. I met him at a social affair and out on a little enclosed balcony between dances he puffed at a cigar and told me his story.

He is a Canadian and enlisted at the beginning of the war. In France he was "gassed." The condition brought on by the gas produces saliva running from the mouth, eyes and nose and a contraction in the chest which makes it impossible to lie down.

In a hospital he was given morphine. When he was able a solution of morphine and a syringe were placed by his bed and he could use it as often as he wished. "They meant to be kind to me," he said, "but they made me a hopeless drug fiend."

When he left the hospital he returned to his colors and fought in the Louvaine and Marne engagements. Again he was wounded and again he got more morphine. At the Somme front he was wounded for the third time—and he got more morphine.

He told me it was easy enough to get morphine in the trenches. The scarlet women who follow in the wake of the army are well supplied with drugs and they sell it to the men. Despite the fact that he got a Victoria Cross for daring, when he arrived in America he was a trembling, cringing, shaking hulk of a man from drugs.

Friends secured quarters for him in the C. B. Towns hospital on Central Park West and here he fought the battle and won out. His experience, however, has saddened him and he does not believe he will ever be happy again. "I think," he said, looking out over the lights of Manhatten, "constantly of the wounded men in the trenches who, if they survive, will be in the clutches of morphine. And the majority will not be so lucky as I have been."

In a Brooklyn Court, Dr. Edward Piper gave an insight into life on the surface cars there the other day. The doctor was arraigned on a charge of assault preferred by Harry Bennett, a conductor.

Dr. Piper said he got on the car and gave Bennett ten cents. He presently felt a weight in his hand. heard a great clanking, and looking into his hand found therein five pennies.

According to the conductor, the next thing he remembers is that Dr. Piper took a snakewood walking-stick and hit him in such a way that it wrapped around his neck and hissed.

Dr. Piper had very little to say, except that he cared nothing for pennies—in fact they seemed to annoy him.

"The Theatre Workshop" is a new group of intellectual brilliants who are out to whoop the grand and noble cause of uplift. Their aims are carefully outlined in a circular I have just received. Arthur Hopkins is one of them and there are many others on the list who are more or less prominent.

They ask for work from people who can write plays. And that in my opinion is nonsensical. The people who can write can place their own stuff. What is needed in New York is to help the young and timid beginner.

There are hundreds of ambitious young men and women in New York who are living in the garrets and byways of Washington Square literally starving because no one will help them.

Many of these people are talented—much more than many who have arrived—and what they need is aid. There is one poet downtown who sold a poem only after borrowing ten cents for carfare to an editor's office.

Miss Carol Arbaugh, an employe of the Irving Drew Shoe company, who has been in Ironton several weeks on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. N. J. Arbaugh, has returned to the Y. W. C. A., where she resides. Her mother is improving.

At Biggs House

Miss Rosa Stewart, of Greenup, Ky., has taken a position at the Biggs House.

Let The Flag Wave

Let the flag wave! Aye, let it wave on high,
Its red and white and blue against the sky!
From crest and casement, broad and bright and brave,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, let it wave above
The hills and valleys of the land we love,
And o'er the sea, to mad tyrant slave,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, let its glory shine!
Let the flag wave, a symbol and a sign!
To guard our honor and to shield and save,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, wave in all men's sight,
Its stars unsullied as the stars of night;
Its stripes unblemished; only this we crave—
Let the flag wave!
—Clinton Scollard in the N. Y. Sun.

Unmoved

She got into a trolley car
And hung onto a strap,
The man sat boldly in his place.
That she possessed a pretty face
He didn't care a rap.
—Detroit Free Press.

Bobby's Reason

"Why did you spell 'bank' with a capital, Bobby?"

"'Cause pa says a bank ought always to have a good big capital."—Boston Transcript.

Encouragement

The bashful youth had been presented to the vivacious debutante, and for ten minutes he sat speechless, growing redder and redder and more embarrassed. At length the girl said sweetly, "And now let us talk of something else."

An Exploded Proverb

Maggie—Shure, miss, and it's a hard life I have living.

Mrs. Smith—Didn't I tell you Maggie, "If you marry in haste you repent at leisure?"

Maggie—Faith, and I've had no lazure!—Life.

The Other Joshua

A traveling man who makes Indianapolis frequently also does considerable work in the mountain or moonshine district of Kentucky. On his last visit to this city he told the following story:

He was waiting for a train in a small town, and while walking about he wandered into a court room, where an attache of the United States comissioner's office was examining an aged negro who was said to have been making illicit whiskey.

"What's your first name?" the official asked.

"Joshua, sah," responded the negro.

"Oh, you are the Joshua who made the sun stand still?" asked the commissioner who was inclined to be facetious.

"No, sah", responded the defendant. "I'se de Joshua what made de moon shine."

The traveling man does not say what disposition was made of the case.—Indianapolis News.

All Broken Up

"I hear poor Mrs. Smith was completely broken up when she tried to sing at the concert."

"So she was, poor thing! Her voice broke, her face fell, and she went all to pieces."

He Never Tried

And many a man never fails because he never tried.

Get Me?

The best friend and the worst enemy any of us can have, we need only look in a mirror to see.

Try This

A woman writes the following to an editor of a newspaper:

"When I sing I get tears in my eyes. What can I do for this?"

To this the editor replied:

"Stuff cotton in your ears."

Down In The Deep

It is said that mermaids tie up their hair with a marine band.

Exactly

C. E., 16—I can tell how much water runs over Niagara Falls to a quart.

Queen—Well, how much?

C. E., 16—Two pints.—Texas Longhorn.

Old Stuff

"A scientist can take one bone and reconstruct a dinosaur."

"That's nothing. Our landlady can take one bone and reconstruct a dinner."—Kansas City Journal.

I'll Say It is

Somehow or other it is always easier to make a mistake than to own up to it.

POLLY AND HER PALS — Polly Selected Her Own Business Course — BY CLIFF STERRETT

THE NOON EXTRA

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EXPOSE GERMAN PLOT TO PLAY JAPAN AND MEXICO AGAINST U.S.

Washington, March 1—A letter, forming the basis of Germany's plotting forwarded from Berlin January 19, via Count Bernstorff, for the German envoy, Von Eckhardt, at Mexico City, said:

"On the first of February we intend to begin submarine warfare unrestricted. In spite of this, it is our intention to endeavor to keep the United States of America neutral. If this attempt is not successful we propose an alliance on the following basis with Mexico: That we shall make war together and peace together. We shall give general financial support and it is understood that Mexico is to re-conquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. The details are left to you for settlement. You are instructed to inform the president of Mexico of the above in the greatest confidence as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States and suggest that the president of Mexico on his own initiative should communicate with Japan suggesting adherence at once to this plan, at the same time offering to mediate between Germany and Japan. Please call to the attention of the president of Mexico that the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months.

"ZIMMERMANN."

LETTER IS AUTHENTIC SAYS WILSON

(BULLETIN)

Washington, March 1—President Wilson stands sponsor for the declaration that Germany attempted to plot Japan and Mexico into a conspiracy against the United States.

In a formal statement, Senator Swanson told the senate today:

"President Wilson authorizes me to say that the Zimmerman letter to the German embassy in Mexico proposing an alliance with Japan and Mexico is substantially correct."

The statement followed introduction of a resolution by Senator Lodge inquiring as to the correctness of the letter.

Senator LaFollette wanted the Lodge measure modified so it would bring out when the letter came into this government's possession. Lodge acceded to the modification.

Senator Hardwick indicated his intention to object, saying it was a serious matter and that the president would be relied upon to inform the senate if he deemed it wise and that in any case the executive himself would act properly. Lodge flared up.

"I put it in because it is a serious matter. If it is false the country ought to know it to allay the excitement it has caused. If it is true certainly congress ought to know it."

Senator Works, California, said it is now due to congress and to the country that President Wilson fully presents to congress "all information" he may have.

BULLETIN

Washington, March 1—Japanese Ambassador Sato today denied any knowledge of the alleged implication of Japan in the reported German-Mexican plot, but admitted that the report that Germany had made such an attempt through Mexico was probably true.

"It is a very interesting story," he said, "which I have heard for the first time from press reports. If any advances were made by my government I have had no knowledge of it.

OPENING STOCKS

New York, March 1—Wall Street again stood waiting at the stock market opening today following news of Germany's attempts to embroil the United States in trouble with Japan and Mexico. Movements were extremely narrow, with small changes, mostly downward.

Central Leather opened at 84 1-2, off 1-2; Marine preferred 68 3-4, off 1-4; Anaconda 79, off 1-8. United States Steel sold ex-dividend at 101 3-4, off 1-4.

OPENING

By Caleb L. McKee, Columbus, O., Member New York Stock Exchange.

Bethlehem Steel 120.
Central Leather 84.
Chesapeake and Ohio 58⅛.
Crucible Steel 64.
Mexican Petroleum 225⅞.
Republican Iron and Steel 76.
Southern Railway 27⅛.
United States Steel 104¾.
Columbia Gas and Electric 41.

ROSIN

Savannah, Ga., March 1.—Rosin firm; sales, 759; receipts, 216; shipments none; stock, 78,335. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, $6.00.

SHIP ASHORE

BULLETIN

Norfolk, Va., March 1—Pounded with terrific seas which threatened any minute to break her up the American steamer Raven was ashore today half a mile south of Bodie Island.

Unusually thick weather and the seas made it impossible for life savers to reach the helpless steamer.

Wilson Reveals Proof Of Germany's Machinations

Washington, March 1—Germany wants to play Mexico and Japan actively against the United States in case of war.

This plot, revealed by the administration today through documentary proof of Germany's machinations, was put forth to sway a dallying congress and stir the nation to the real perils of the German problem.

Facing the possibility of further delay in congress, plus opposition to avoidance of an extra session, the administration played its trump card—the correspondence between Germany and its Mexican representative whereby it sought to alien Mexico and Japan belligerently against the United States. The documents, in possession of this government for some time, show clearly that Germany meant to play this tremendous menace as a club over the United States to keep her neutral and to prevent the stand the United States took on the late ruthless submarine edict.

LETTER GIVES THE LIE TO GERMAN EXPRESSION

Besides being destined as a check to over-enthusiastic, but perhaps well-meaning pacifists, who, it was feared, would lull the nation into too great a feeling of security, it gave the lie direct to German expressions of surprise, voiced by Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweb over America's "misinterpretation" of Germany's unlimited U-boat war decree. It also stands as a reply to Bethmann-Hollweg's feigned surprise at the "brusqueness" of President Wilson in breaking the friendly relations between Germany and America that was an "heirloom from Frederick the Great."

The letter singed by Zimmerman, the German foreign secretary, sent to the Mexican government and other documents in the hands of government heads, is the answer to the administration's insistence upon power for President Wilson to arm ships and otherwise deal with the German problem, it was understood in administration circles.

ANSWER TO WILSON'S ANXIETY OVER JAP SITUATION

It is the answer to administration's apparent anxiety over Japan, as shown in efforts to kill anti-Alien legislation aimed at the Japanese.

It is the answer to President Wilson's "going slowly" in order that he might be the better prepared for action when the time came.

Above all, it is intended as the goad to congress.

Just how Mexico and Japan have taken the proposals is not known definitely.

Only a short time ago, however, Carranza suggested an embargo on supplies to the allies and there was the hint that the Mexican oil supplies of the British navy would be halted.

Japan has been hinting at trouble if the anti-alien bills were passed.

Hence, it is known that in these respects the two nations were trying the secret club of threatened trouble against the United States.

MEXICAN-JAPANESE SITUATION LOOMED LARGE

THE ADMINISTRATION HAS SHOWN ONLY PART OF ITS HAND. THE MEXICAN-JAPANESE MENACE HAS LOOMED LARGER THAN OFFICIALS CARED TO ADMIT PUBLICLY.

The menace bared in the prima face evidence of the German deceit, recalls stories of emissaries who went back and forth from Mexico City to Tokio.

It recalls stories of German reservists gathering in Mexico City

It recalls wild stories—always branded so officially— of the presence of Japanese in large numbers in Lower California.

It recalls activities of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain Von Papen, in Mexico, and in other countries south of the Rio Grande.

It is given frankly, but not officially, as one of the greatest reasons the administration sent Secretary of State Lansing and the attorney general to congress to plead for the most stringent and rigid bills this government has ever considered.

At least goaded by congressional delays and prospects of an even wider filibuster starting today to kill the armed neutrality bill, cripple the navy supply bill and force an extra session, the administration showed the main part of the plot.

BEHIND PLOT IS SINISTER TRAIN OF FACTS

Behind the plot lies a sinister train of facts.

German agents followed developments of the Mexican peace conference at Atlantic City. After they appeared it was noticeable that Luis Cabrera, clever diplomat, member of the Mexican group, gave out disquieting hints.

He talked of the relations of Japan and Mexico—a sinister hint that the American government did not fail to note though at the time it did not suspect that there was, in the making anything so tremendous as a German plot that might react upon the very existence of this nation.

Since then there have been German spies on the Mexican border.

There have been secret missions between Mexico and Washington on the part of Teuton diplomats. But the message intended for the German envoy at Mexico City came into American hands opportunely, and gave this nation sufficient warning where with to combat the machinations.

Now the whole affair for the time being is up to congress.

Despite this menacing turn in an already tensely strained situation, Senator LaFollette when the senate adjourned early today to meet again in mid-forenoon, served notice that he had three days material ready for a filibuster. He is opposed to the extent of the navy bill.

In connection with the revelation of the German-Mexican-Japanese situation, it was strongly hinted today the government already has information or has lines out to get it, concerning the recent Cuban uprising, quite generally interpreted as of German origin.

Authorities here have watched that case closely in view of the dangerous possibilities to the United States.

Back of these international plottings may be a plot within the United States to encourage food riots as propaganda support of an embargo on supplies to the Entente allies.

It is known secret service men are engaged, not only on the Cuban-Mexican-Japanese angle, but likewise on the domestic situation.

It is hinted the department of justice might have startling facts concerning the food matter shortly.

NO DISTINCTION TO BE MADE BY U-BOATS

Amsterdam, March 1.—There is to be no distinction made by German submarines in sinking neutral ships in the barred zone and the fact that the American steamer Orleans safely passed through the danger section is not to be attributed to any withholding of Germany's weapon. Comments of Berlin newspapers received here today made this clear.

Nearly all quoted Foreign Secretary Zimmerman as asserting:

"We make absolutely no distinction. Our determination is unshakable, since that is the only way to finish the war this summer, a desire in which we all join."

The Berlin newspapers assumed that fogs which were officially reported as having delayed the Orleans arrival also hindered operation of the submarines. The fact that the Laconia was sunk at night, contrary to usual submarine operations was referred to as indicating the adaptability of submarines and the difficulty of all vessels will have in escaping them.

WEATHER

Ohio—Generally fair tonight and Friday; warmer Friday.

West Virginia—Cloudy tonight; Friday fair.

Kentucky—Cloudy tonight. Friday fair, slightly warmer.

WILSON BEHIND SENATE BILL

(BULLETIN)

Washington, March 1—President Wilson has informed congress that he stands flatly behind the senate bill granting him full powers and a vote of credit to handle the international situation. This was made known at the White House following reports that the president approves the house bill which greatly modifies his request. The president will sign the measure only when it conforms with his full desires and for that reason he is putting all of the administration strength behind the bill, drawn by the senate committee.

LATIN-AMERICAN NATIONS TO CONFER

Buenos Aires, March 1.—Chile has received a proposal from Argentine to participate in a conference of all Latin-American nations, according to a Santiago dispatch printed today by La Nacion.

No date was set in the proposals, but Buenos Aires was specified as the meeting place for the conference to urge peace in Europe and it was noticed that the United States was not included in the nations asked.

BRITISH WITHIN A MILE OF BAPAUME

London, March 1.—British forces are within a mile of Bapaume. The German retreat is still in progress, but during the last day or so the harrassing of the advancing British troops has been more pronounced. Every sort of expedient is being used to delay the forward progress of Field Marshal Haig's forces.

The front on which the British have advanced was increased today to approximately 13 miles by announcement of the occupancy of positions more than half a mile northeast of Gommecourt. This is approximately the most northwesterly point from there down to a position about midway between Gudecourt and Beaulencourt, the new advanced front of the British zig-zags in and out. Front dispatches today declared Gommecourt fell without a blow from the enemy, the British simply slipping in on a deserted village.

Evidence accumulates that the evacuation of Bapaume is under way. Information from the front today said the Germans had methodically destroyed all high towers in the city plainly in order to prevent their utilization by the British as observation posts, when Bapaume fell into their hands.

Rochester Passes Thru Sub Zone In Safety

BULLETIN

Bordeaux, March 1—The American steamer Rochester safely arrived at the mouth of the Gironde river early today, having passed through the submarine zone.

THE LATEST IN SPORTDOM

BOWLING

DUCK PIN LEAGUE
Standing

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rail Birds	14	10	.583
Dy Dippers	13	11	.542
Cat Birds	12	12	.500
June Bugs	9	15	.375

Games Next Week
Cat Birds vs. Rail Birds, Monday.
Dy Dippers vs. June Bugs, Wednesday.

Rolling in fine form, those Rail Birds handed Jim Kelley's June Bugs a terrific defeat at the Play House alleys last night, grabbing three in a row and putting themselves in the lead by a margin of one game. The Rail Birds with the exception of Greshell, were in splendid form and the June Bugs never had a chance. Too bad, for Captain Jim is a mighty valiant leader, but his men floundered around like so many blind ducks in a pond. Capt. Kelley had high score, 147, George Drake, of the Rail Birds, shot high average and put his name up among the leaders. Capt. John Wilhelm, Heisel and "Scotty," that great magpie and chatterbox—did nobly. The scores:

JUNE BUGS—			
Charlton	105	113	90
Blind	100	100	100
McCoy	110	84	84
Kricker	98	97	111
Dudoit	86	94	89
Sheridan	89	107	100
Kelley	147	95	109
Totals	735	690	689
RAIL BIRDS—			
Scott	168	116	102
Heisel	122	115	124
Greshell	88	102	92
Drake	125	127	133
Blind	100	100	100
J. Wilhelm	125	131	117
Blind	100	100	100
Totals	768	791	768

WHITAKER-GLESSNER LEAGUE
Standing

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Inspectors	7	2	.778
S. and B. Dept.	6	3	.667
S. and J. Dept.	3	6	.333
Main Office	2	7	.222

Games Next Week
S. and B. Dept. vs. Inspectors.
S. and J. Dept. vs. Main Office.

The Inspectors, despite some rather inferior work, kept their heads in the games with the S. and J. Dept. team of the Whitaker-Glessner league at the Play House, last night, and captured three games in a row, giving them a nice margin as first place leaders. Eynon and J. Smith shot 200 scores. Some of the stars failed to twinkle last night despite the fact that conditions were perfect. The scores:

S. AND J. DEPT.—			
J. Smith	151	201	121
H. Moore	142	131	157
Gauliffe	148	129	166
Eynon	207	182	151
Walters	146	170	180
Totals	794	816	778
INSPECTORS—			
Orr	147	180	153
Keiser	150	155	166
Webb	150	163	182
McMahon	198	173	145
F. Prediger	176	170	150
Totals	821	841	798

Tyrus Cobb May Regain Lost Crown

Detroit, March 1.—Tyrus Cobb, the superman of baseball, will make the supreme effort of his career to regain his batting laurels this season. Only those who are close to the great Detroit outfielder and who have watched him perform, season after season, realize the keen disappointment which came to him last fall when he was compelled to remove his batting crown and hand it to his bosom friend, Tris Speaker.

Cobb had led the American league for nine consecutive seasons. His ambition was to lead it for a decade. He failed, and, as he is now more than 30 years old and certainly not quite as fast as he was three years ago there is virtually no chance that he can lead his league for a span of ten years.

But Cobb, one of the gamest ballplayers that ever lived, is going to try. He has spent the winter in the open, keeping his nerves steady, his body strong and his eyes clear. He already has told Manager Jennings that he will report with the veterans at Waxahachie, Tex., on March 10.

City League

In the City Basketball league tonight the Whitaker-Glessner Fellowship club five will clash with the Club quintet at the Club at 8 o'clock. The Club quintet is in the cellar, not having annexed a game so far but tonight they are counting on turning in their first victory with the steel plant five as their victims.

The Whitaker-Glessner quintet is standing third in the league and in the last few games have been fighting hard to get out of that hole. Their last few games have been lost by small margins. Strickland will not be in the game for the steel plant team tonight. Armentrout, the old reliable, will be on hand and he will fill the hole caused by Strickland's absence. Kahmar is back into the game for the Club along with Kendall, star center and Uhl and Spanger chief forwards.

Is Wagner Through?

Pittsburgh, March 1.—When President Barney Dreyfus, of the Pittsburgh Baseball club, announced today that he had secured by waiver route Warren Adams, a first baseman, from the Brooklyn team, he said that he felt a little more secure over the first base proposition than he had been since Saturday night. At that time he tried to get Hans Wagner to tell him whether or not he would go south with the team, and the Dutchman refused to say. Dreyfus said today:

"I have serious doubts of Wagner's signing up, as he is 80 pounds over weight, and I don't believe he wants to take the trouble to go into training to get the overplus off.

Team May Arrive Early

Clyde Strickland, business manager of the P. H. S. basketball team, sent a letter to the management of the Gallipolis Academy high school five Wednesday notifying the up river squad to try and reach Portsmouth Friday afternoon on the N. and W. train due at 3:45, so that the game can be started at 7 o'clock sharp.

The sixth number on the high-school lecture course will be given at 8 o'clock Friday night.

Kauff Makes First Homer

Marlin, Texas, March 1.—The Giants went to work today. Manager John J. McGraw has arrived. Benny Kauff saw him first and hit a fair ball over the fence. Infielders and pitchers are getting all the attention so far.

"SAFETY FIRST"

Sunday golf is in vogue now in almost every city of the United States. Golfers are forbidden to play on the public courses of only two big cities—Boston and Kansas City—on Sunday. Why? For the simple reason that life would be endangered owing to the crowded condition of these pleasure spots.

Mr. Toney Wants Bonus

Fred Toney, star pitcher of the Reds is a modest chap. He wants $5,500 in salary this season and a liberal bonus if he wins 20 games. Last year Toney pitched fine ball for the Reds, but was unlucky and did not win a tremendous amount of games.

And Mr. Roush Is A Holdout

Outfielder Roush of the Reds is a genuine holdout. He says he will not dip the quill in the ink until his salary is given a healthy boost over last year. Roush was formerly a Giant, and he created no furore in the National league by his playing after garbing himself in Red hose.

To Roll In Huntington

A duck pin team of this city will go to Huntington tonight to play Huntington's best duck pin artists at the Majestic alleys. The local players will be George McMullen, Ed Grant, George Wilhelm, Ed Leach and Ed Kelley. Will Gabbeman, Art Hamm and Henry Charlton will also make the trip. The trip will be made on the 2:53 C. and O.

Signs With Evansville

Charleston, W. Va., March 1.—Harry Flanbert, leading shortstop in the Ohio State league last season, who played two years with Charleston, has signed a contract with Evansville, in the Central league for 1917. Milt Curtis and Fred Hilton, also infielders in Ohio State league last season, and Frank Barron of St. Marys, who had a trial as pitcher with the Washington Americans one year ago, have signed with Rocky Mount, in the Virginia league.

Richmond In Central

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 1.—Richmond, Ind., will be awarded the Terre Haute franchise in the Central league, according to announcement by League President E. W. Dickerson Tuesday on his return from the Hoosier city. It is stated that a $10,000 corporation has been formed to back the club there.

Wally Schang Has Signed

Philadelphia, March 1.—Wally Schang, catcher, signed his contract with the Philadelphia American league baseball team today. He was the last of the big three holdouts, Strunk and Bush having signed yesterday.

Perry Has Many Bouts

Columbus, March 1.—Jack Perry is busy. The Italian welterweight is no easy mark "finding himself" than at any time since he started boxing here in Columbus. Jack took the bull by the horns and started an invasion last week. Three days later he took a bout a few days indoor and trimmed a Dayton lightweight, Ray Parks, at Brookbank, Pa. Jack says he has bouts pendant for Pittsburgh and many towns in the immediate vicinity. He is booked to box again this week, the opponent to have been selected yesterday. Then Jack is going to Philadelphia, to hold down and get that "fighting spirit" lost during inactivity in his long layoffs of two months here.

Ivy Wingo Is In Line

Cincinnati, March 1.—A telegram to President Herrmann from Ivy Wingo yesterday brought the welcome information that the red-topped backstop had signed his 1917 contract, which is now on its way to this city, and that he will leave his home for the training camp on Saturday.

Athletics Get Away

Philadelphia, March 1.—The first squad of the Philadelphia Americans left today for the spring training camp in Florida. In the squad were eight pitchers and two catchers, accompanied by Manager Mack. They will go to Ft. Pierce, Fla., where they will work out until March 10, when they will join the regulars at Jacksonville.

In Selby Plant.

E. P. Fischer, Columbus, has taken a position in the efficiency department in the Selby shoe plant.

May Buy Cardinals

St. Louis, Mo., March 1.—The Cardinal baseball team may be handled by a large number of St. Louisans as practically a municipal proposition if the plans for a new syndicate, headed by James G. Jones, an attorney, mature. Jones, with a number of persons, has secured an option on the team from Mrs. Helene Hathaway Britton for $50,000, good until Saturday, and is busily engaged in perfecting novel plans for conducting a ball team.

If you have a room which is not occupied you should be using TIMES WANT ADS.

Worse Than 3 On Bases

Philadelphia, March 1.—Charles Albert Bender, the Indian pitcher, was made a defendant in a suit for $15,000 damages, a slander in common pleas court here today by Mrs. Bessie Curran, widow of John Curran, who was killed February 17 by an automobile driven by Bender. Judge Shoemaker issued a capias for Bender, fixing bail at $1,000. Bender absolved of negligence by the coroner's jury yesterday.

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OHIO UNIVERSITY AND O. S. U.

We read with much interest Mr. Arnhold Schapiro's card in Wednesday night's paper in which he spoke in favor of the Lloyd bill which would take the name of Ohio University at Athens and give it to Ohio State University at Columbus. We do not blame Mr. Schapiro in standing up for his alma mater, for being loyal to her ambitions and her dreams. We too would like to see the institution at Columbus become one of the greatest in the land, but we want her to do it without working injustice upon other colleges and institutions of learning in the state.

After reading Mr. Schapiro's card we picked up a copy of the Athens Daily Messenger and therein we came across an editorial relating to the proposed change and it is so iteresting that we reproduce it and recommend it to the prayerful consideration of Mr. Schapiro and other O. S. U. alumni in this county:

"'It is a small college, but there are those who love it,' said Daniel Webster in his famous Dartmouth speech. Ohio University can no longer be called a small college, but there are tens of thousands who love it, men and women, boys and girls, who, at some time during the past hundred years, have come under its influence.

"On February 18, 1804, the legislature passed an act 'establishing a university in the town of Athens,' and gave it a name—Ohio University. This was not the first legislation in regard to the pioneer college in the great Northwest. But it was the first legislation dealing specifically with the name 'Ohio University.'

"This was passed one hundred and thirteen years ago—a long time ago in the history of a nation whose Declaration of Independence was made but one hundred and forty-one years ago. Is there another college in Ohio or any state west of Ohio with a longer and more honorable career than that of Ohio University?

"Picture in your imagination the coming together of the first Board of Trustees of this pioneer college of our beloved State of Ohio. Dr. Eliphaz Perkins had located at Athens, for he had learned that the new college of the west was to be located there. He lived in a double log house, a rather imposing structure for those early days. There were two large rooms on the lower floor with a wide hall separating the rooms. At this house the first board meeting was held on June 4, 1804.

"Can you see that early board coming from different parts of our pioneer country, not in the luxury of a parlor car, but on horseback. There comes Governor Tiffin who has ridden on horseback all the way from Chillicothe, traversing woods and fording streams, in order to be present at the first meeting of the Trustees of Ohio University. Samuel Carpenter came from Lancaster, Rev. James Kilbourne from Worthington, and Rufus Putnam from Marietta. They came along bridle paths, stopped here and there at pioneer huts for their entertainment. 'These men,' writes Mr. Walker in his History of Athens County, 'had traveled fifty to one hundred miles, by blind paths or Indian trails, through dense forests inhabited by wild animals, to this embryo village, for the purpose of establishing an institution of learning.'

"Of these men, Governor Tiffin and Rufus Putnam are the best known. Judge Backus and Judge Woodbridge were graduates of Yale; the Rev. Daniel Story was a graduate of Dartmouth; Rev. James Kilbourne was the first settler at Worthington, Ohio; Doctor Perkins, at whose home they met, was not a trustee, but was very active in the establishment of the university. He, too, was a graduate of Yale.

"On May 3, 1815, a committee of the Board of Trustees appointed to examine the first graduating class, reported that 'Thomas Ewing and John Hunter merit the approbation of the Board of Trustees and that they are each entitled to the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Sciences.' Fifteen years after this, Thomas Ewing was in the United States senate, and later became Secretary of the Treasury, and then Secretary of the Interior. He also later was one of the trustees of Ohio University. Another trustee of these early times was Charles R. Sherman, father of John Sherman and General W. T. Sherman.

"The oldest college building in Ohio is still standing on the Ohio University campus. It is now called Manasseh Cutler Hall. It was erected in 1817 at a cost of $17,000, a small sum in comparison with the magnificent sums since appropriated by the State of Ohio for educational purposes but what sacrifices this small sum must have cost those early pioneers and how grand and palatial the buildings must have seemed to the boys who came to the University from the pioneer homes of Ohio!

"The history of Ohio University is a long and honorable one. Its sons and daughters, some widely known, some unknown to the book of fame, have played their part in the development of our great nation. They love their Alma Mater. Her name is dear to their hearts. They feel that any act of legislation which would tend to destroy the integrity of the name which their institution has held for over a century would be a gross act of injustice."

Of course there is always the dreadful possibility that Mr. Kearns, our esteemed congressman, may emulate the example of Hon. R. Switzer, and send us a couple of rusty cannon just to show that he is alive to the emergencies that confront the nation.

We confess to having no more curiosity than a full grown flea but at any rate we would like to know if Ironton filed her city officials, with all their red light music proclivities, along with her other choice exhibits designed to seduce the armor plate board into selecting her as a site for the government armor plate plant.

What makes us pretty mad at the Imperial German government, almost to the point at times of endangering our neutrality, is the way she assumes such an air of grieved surprise when, after she has blown up a ship belonging to some nation that has no more to do with the war than a rabbit, said nation seems to be somewhat provoked.—Ohio State Journal.

By polling a number of conspicuous experts on the question "Is it ever right to lie?" a New York minister has learned that although it may not be right it is not unfashionable.—New York Sun.

FORCE OF HABIT

CRITICISING

One of the worst examples of humanity is the man who gets mad easily. He is touched on the raw by every little untoward circumstance that falls his way. It is a very unfortunate disposition. There is not much sense in getting mad any time. It does no good and may do much harm. The man who flares up because he is criticised shows a weakness that is pretty fair proof that the criticism is well directed. If we got mad every time we were found fault with we would go out and whip the mayor, the governor, Dr. Gladden and all the fellows of our size that we could find. But we don't get mad. We rather like a criticism. It is like a little breeze blowing around the corner, scattering the dust and making room for the sunshine. The only thing about criticism that we don't like is hate. We don't want people so burdened to criticise us, for we are certainly free from it when we criticise them. So, brethren, don't be scared about anything except your own venom. We are not, even of that.—Ohio State Journal.

One of our commissioners says that he is glad to see that the citizens of Sciotoville rose enmasse to say "Amen" to the proposition that the crossing under the B. & O. tracks be repaired and made passable. "Now," said the commissioner, "if the same citizens will just get busy enmasse and repair the crossing, all will be well. It is their plain duty to do so, and not that of the commissioners for the crossing is within the corporate limits of Sciotoville. Under the law the commissioners cannot expend money within the corporate limits of a town so it is up to the government of Sciotoville." And so "the buck is passed" to Sciotoville. Let the council of the town get busy and fix up the eye sore at once.

All is not joy and peace in the publication of a newspaper. Take Wednesday for instance. The leased wire over which The Times receives its telegraphic news was put out of business by the snow storm, having broken somewhere between here and Columbus. The Western Union only had one commercial wire working out of town towards Columbus and could not rig up another. Arrangements were then made with the dispatcher's office of the N. & W. to borrow a wire from them for a time as their wires were in good shape. In the meantime bulletin messages were sent by the press association over the commercial wire of the Western Union and finally about one o'clock our own leased wire "kicked in," having been repaired. From that time on to press time service was uninterrupted.

Judging by the manner in which our eminent lawyers are all getting rich and soaking down their hard earned cash into real estate, we have concluded that we made a mistake some 26 years ago when we decided that law was a dull and listless profession and that there was more chance in a minute to get rich and famous in the printer's trade than there would be in the law business in a century.

It has become so that about the only things left which may be had at reasonable prices are the luxuries.—Marion Star.

Class Teams Play Tonight

The basket ball game to be played in the German Evangelical gym tonight between Will Hazelbeck's class and L. Weiss' class will start promptly at eight o'clock. On the Hazelbeck team will be Rowe, Kugeloan, Linck, Duvendeck, Kah, Bender and Uhl. On the Weiss team will be Hensge, Graf, Malter, Schusky, Brunner, Poetker and Devoss.

Back From Arizona

Representative W. R. Sprague has returned to Columbus from a business trip to Arizona, where he was called last week.

To Plant Record Crops

J. E. Hackworth, well known farmer, Charter, Lewis county, Ky., was in the city Wednesday looking after his property here. Mr. Hackworth says that preparations are being made by the farmers there to plant a record crop of tobacco this spring.

Called To Marietta

Mr. Andrew Reinhard, of Eighth street, received a telegram Wednesday evening announcing the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. George Davis, at Marietta, O. He left this morning for her bedside. Mr. Reinhard was born and raised in Marietta.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY
by O. O. McINTYRE.

New York, March 1—He has ten medals for bravery in the trenches. I met him at a social affair and out on a little enclosed balcony between dances he puffed at a cigar and told me his story.

He is a Canadian and enlisted at the beginning of the war. In France he was "gassed." The condition brought on by the gas produces saliva running from the mouth, eyes and nose and a contraction in the chest which makes it impossible to lie down.

In a hospital he was given morphine. When he was able a solution of morphine and a syringe were placed by his bed and he could use it as often as he wished. "They meant to be kind to me," he said, "but they made me a hopeless drug fiend."

When he left the hospital he returned to his colors and fought in the Louvaine and Marne engagements. Again he was wounded and again he got more morphine. At the Somme front he was wounded for the third time—and he got more morphine.

He told me it was easy enough to get morphine in the trenches. The scarlet women who follow in the wake of the army are well supplied with drugs and they sell it to the men. Despite the fact that he got a Victoria Cross for daring, when he arrived in America he was a trembling, cringing, shaking hulk of a man from drugs.

Friends secured quarters for him in the C. B. Towns hospital on Central Park West and here he fought the battle and won out. His experience, however, has saddened him and he does not believe he will ever be happy again. "I think," he said, looking out over the lights of Manhattan, "constantly of the wounded men in the trenches who, if they survive, will be in the clutches of morphine. And the majority will not be so lucky as I have been."

In a Brooklyn Court, Dr. Edward Piper gave an insight into life on the surface cars there the other day. The doctor was arraigned on a charge of assault preferred by Harry Bennett, a conductor.

Dr. Piper said he got on the car and gave Bennett ten cents. He presently felt a weight in his hand, heard a great clanking, and looking into his hand found therein five pennies.

According to the conductor, the next thing he remembers is that Dr. Piper took a snakewood walking-stick and hit him in such a way that it wrapped around his neck and hissed.

Dr. Piper had very little to say, except that he cared nothing for pennies—in fact they seemed to annoy him.

"The Theatre Workshop" is a new group of intellectual brilliants who are out to whoop the grand and noble cause of uplift. Their aims are carefully outlined in a circular I have just received. Arthur Hopkins is one of them and there are many others on the list who are more or less prominent.

They ask for work from people who can write plays. And that, in my opinion, is nonsensical. The people who can write can place their own stuff. What is needed in New York is to help the young and timid beginner.

There are hundreds of ambitious young men and women in New York who are living in the garrets and byways of Washington Square literally starving because no one will help them.

Many of these people are talented—much more than many who have arrived—and what they need is aid. There is one poet downtown who sold a poem only after borrowing ten cents for carfare to an editor's office.

Miss Carol Arbaugh, an employe of the Irving Drew Shoe company, who has been in Ironton several weeks on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. N. J. Arbaugh, has returned to the Y. W. C. A., where she resides. Her mother is improving.

DOC KOKO'S KOLUMN

Let The Flag Wave

Let the flag wave! Aye, let it wave on high,
Its red and white and blue against the sky!
From crest and casement, broad and bright and brave,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, let it wave above
The hills and valleys of the land we love,
And o'er the sea, to mad tyrant slave,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, let its glory shine!
Let the flag wave, a symbol and a sign!
To guard our honor and to shield and save,
Let the flag wave!

Let the flag wave! Aye, wave in all men's sight,
Its stars unsullied as the stars off night;
Its stripes unblemished; only this we crave—
Let the flag wave!
—Clinton Scollard in the N. Y. Sun.

Unmoved

She got into a trolley car
And hung onto a strap,
The man sat boldly in his place,
That she possessed a pretty face
He didn't care a rap.
—Detroit Free Press.

Bobby's Reason

"Why did you spell 'bank' with a capital, Bobby?"

"'Cause pa says a bank ought always to have a good big capital."—Boston Transcript.

Encouragement

The bashful youth had been presented to the vivacious debutante, and for ten mintues he sat speechless, growing redder and redder and more embarrassed. At length the girl said sweetly, "And now let us talk of something else."

An Exploded Proverb

Maggie—Shure, miss, and it's a hard life I bane living.

Mrs. Smith—Didn't I tell you Maggie, "If you marry in haste you repent at leisure?"

Maggie—Faith, and I've had no lazure!—Life.

The Other Joshua

A traveling man who makes Indianapolis frequently also does considerable work in the mountain or moonshine district of Kentucky. On his last visit to this city he told the following story:

He was waiting for a train in a small town, and while walking about he wandered into a court room, where an attache of the United States comissioner's office was examining an aged negro who was said to have been making illicit whiskey.

"What's your first name?" the official asked.

"Joshua, sah," responded the negro.

"Oh, you are the Joshua who made the sun stand still?" asked the commissioner who was inclined to be facetious.

"No, sah", responded the defendant. "I'se de Joshua what made de moon shine."

The traveling man does not say what disposition was made of the case.—Indianapolis News.

All Broken Up

"I hear poor Mrs. Smith was completely broken up when she tried to sing at the concert."

"So she was, poor thing! Her voice broke, her face fell, and she went all to pieces."

He Never Tried

And many a man never fails because he never tried.

Get Me?

The best friend and the worst enemy any of us can have, we need only look in a mirror to see.

Try This

A woman writes the following to an editor of a newspaper:

"When I sing I get tears in my eyes. What can I do for this?"

To this the editor replied:

"Stuff cotton in your ears."

Down In The Deep

It is said that mermaids tie up their hair with a marine band.

Exactly

C. E., 16—I can tell how much water runs over Niagara Falls to a quart.

Queen—Well, how much?

C. E., 16.—Two pints.—Texas Longhorn.

Old Stuff

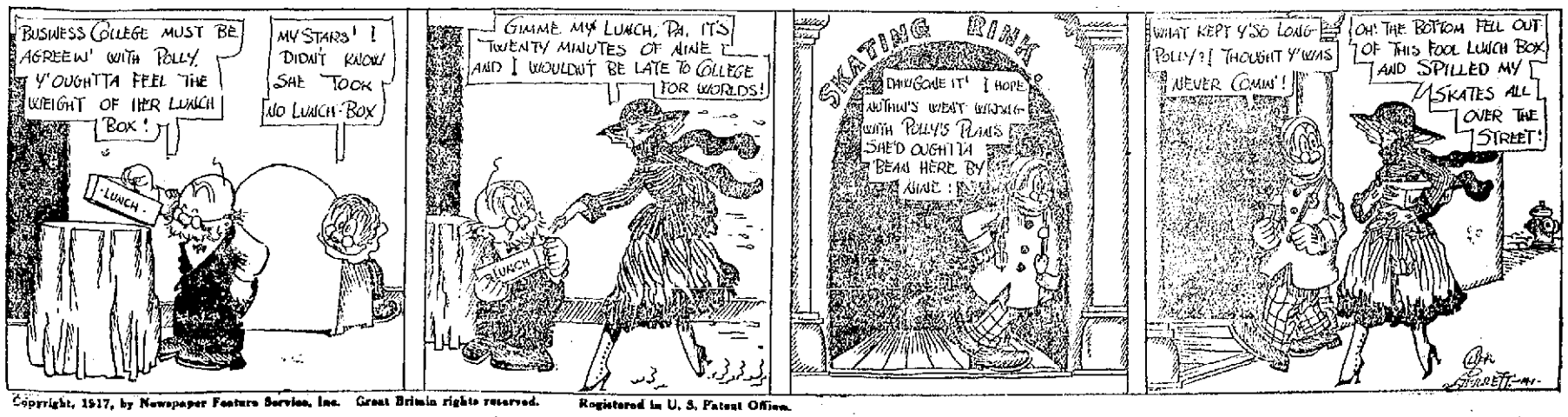
"A scientist can take one bone and reconstruct a dinosaur."

"That's nothing. Our landlady can take one bone and reconstruct a dinner." —Kansas City Journal.

I'll Say It is

Somehow or other it is always easier to make a mistake than to own up to it.

POLLY AND HER PALS — Polly Selected Her Own Business Course — BY CLIFF STERRETT



Scioto County Drys Are Holding Their Convention

A large number of delegates, representing all parts of the county and city gathered at the Bigelow Methodist church Thursday morning to attend the first convention of the Scioto County Dry Federation.

A permanent organization is to be effected and an active campaign will be waged in this district for statewide prohibition.

John T. Breece, chairman of the finance committee; D. Willard Gustin, chairman of the Dry Federation, and Judge Frank L. Sikes, secretary of the organization, are to speak at the session this morning.

Following the forming of a permanent organization, a luncheon will be served to the delegates from the country precincts at the church.

This afternoon J. A. White, state superintendent of the Ohio Anti-Saloon League, will address the convention.

All those interested in the dry cause are invited to attend this meeting.

Acceptances received from country precincts by Secretary Frank L. Sikes were:

Bloom Township, South Webster—Rev. S. W. Masters.

Brush Creek Township—S. C. Robinson.

Clay Township—Albert Eulitt, L. Dickerson, C. H. Clemmons, James Long.

New Boston—Charles Burchain, Rev. M. H. Bridwell, Herbert C. Rickey, John Caulley, Calvin Harris, William Jenkins, Charles Dixon, Frank Cooper, Rev. Wolfe, James Patton, Boy Holt, Rev. Hargis, William Wheeler, W. W. Bailey, A. A. Canter.

Green Township—G. H. Disterdick, T. H. Spears, Jacob Mullins, Burle Burke, W. J. Shannon, Henry Groh, Mack Howell, Rev. Green Willis, Robert E. Willis, J. D. Willis.

Harrison Township—George D. Barrett, William Toland, George Gampp, Frank B. Lair, R. A. Mahaffey, Fred Ettorling, Ira E. Coriell, Alfred Peach, John Gampp, F. R. Minford, Lizzie Minford, Milton E. Arthur, Harvey Deemer, George W. Goodrich.

Jefferson Township—George R. Miliam, C. E. Grimshaw, Earl Grimshaw, R. B. Grimshaw, William Sturgill, William Wolfe.

Madison Township—Ora D. Kronk, G. M. Copley, Clyde Copley, A. L. Rickey, Frank Cole, Aaron Toland, Rev. Dibble, Dan J. Wilson, T. F. Kent.

Upper Nile Township—S. C. Compton, C. Grim, William Kennedy, Edward Moore, J. A. Cunningham.

Lower Nile Township—Rev. George Leightner, James R. Hemphill.

Porter Township—Rev. John Kemper, Rev. John Yeley, John Cook, Dan Cottle.

Wheelersburg—Rev. P. C. Wolf, G. E. Smith, J. N. Hudson, James Hoskins, E. G. McCowen, Edward Hudson, Fred Rightmire, Philip Pfarr, G. E. Koch, E. W. Ranshahaus.

Sciotoville—Edward Basham, John Warneke, W. B. Halstead, Otto Guna, Frank Adams, Charles D. Whitt.

Harden Township—James N. Kates, D. A. Gardner, A. P. Stephens, R. J. Newman.

Rush Township—L. Taylor, J. M. Odell, James Barker, Ord Thompson, C. C. Hulett.

Valley Township—J. W. Clemmons, Adam Burns, Oscar Bruce, Carl W. Appel, Rev. G. W. Howes, George W. Appel.

Vernon Township—W. D. Evans, Charles Bibby, Walter Lemon, Floyd E. Lemon.

Washington Township—Alex Saddler, Elza S. Cook, Roy Cook, Mark Saddler, Anthony Culp, John Spriggs, Z. T. Double.

The following named persons have been chosen delegates.

Bigelow M. E. Sunday School—A. D. Troxel, Lee Smith, J. J. Rardin.

Fourth Street M. E. Sunday School—J. M. Wendelken, Edward Brehmer.

Sciotoville M. E. Sunday School—J. K. Hastings, A. Taylor, C. A. Walden.

New Boston M. E. Sunday School—Rev. M. Bridwell, Herbert Rickey, Charles Burchain.

Elks Entertain District Deputy; Nominations For New Yr. Made

Members of Portsmouth Lodge B. P. O. Elks, Wednesday evening had the privilege of entertaining District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler U. F. Bickley, of Hamilton, O., and whose territory embraces Southwestern Ohio. He was here in his official capacity and inspected the local lodge.

At the conclusion of the inspection Mr. Bickley, who is one of the leading attorneys of Hamilton, enthusiastically praised the lodge for its splendid turnout, the impressive manner in which a class of five candidates was initiated and the efficient work of the officers. Mr. Bickley made an excellent talk in which he took the occasion to throw a bouquet to his bosom friend Karl Zoellner, past district deputy grand exalted ruler, Grand Exalted Ruler Edward W. Rightor of New Orleans and Thomas J. Cogan of Cincinnati, who is tipped as the next grand exalted ruler.

Mr. Bickley gave a brief review of what Elkdom has done in the past year and how rapidly it is growing in all sections of the country and his talk was thoroughly enjoyed. He is a genial clever gentleman and made many friends during his brief stay in the River City.

Nominations for the annual election of the local lodge to be held in two weeks were made last night as follows:

Exalted Ruler
Paul Esselborn
Leading Knight
Anselm Skelton
Chalmer Davis
Loyal Knight
Sidney Anderson
Floyd C. Fuller
Lecturing Knight
W. H. Harsha
W. P. Minego
Tiler
Thos. Nichols
Secretary
Clarence Nodler
Otto Maiter
Treasurer
George E. Kricker
Delegate to Grand Lodge
Thos. K. Brushart
Alternate to Grand Lodge
Karl Zoellner

Five candidates as follows were initiated last night: Dr. Oral D. Tatje, William Bolles, C. E. Korns, Percy Haubert and Stanley Prichard.

The lodge unanimously decided to turn over its commodious quarters to members of the Ohio City Editors' Association, who will hold their mid-summer meeting here Saturday, June 2 and 3.

Following the meeting at which more than 100 members were present a splendid banquet was enjoyed. Fifteen hustling and tray-carrying antlers served the four course banquet and served it with neatness and despatch, in fact the waiters made a big hit. They were right on the job and Joe Kounitz marshalled his forces like a veteran.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable meeting and before taking his departure for his home in Hamilton District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler U. F. Bickley said it was one of the most enthusiastic meetings he had ever attended, he being greatly impressed with the enthusiasm and spirit shown by the lodge, which now has a membership near the 350 mark.

OHIO IS RISING

The Ohio river is again rising at this point, the guage at 7 o'clock this morning showing a stage of 32.5.

The Greenland was the up-river boat today for Pomeroy and the Greenwood will be up Friday from Cincinnati for Pomeroy.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dixon, of 1732 Seventh street, are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby daughter. Mrs. Dixon and baby are at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Neal of New Boston. Mr. O'Neal is now a "granddaddy" and is passing around the cigars. O'Neal is clerk of council and school board at New Boston.

REALTY DEALS

John W. and Ella F. Sparks to Ottis Conley, lot 93, Farney addition, Sciotoville, $1.

Arnold G. and Leona D. Bowles to Curtis Conley, lot 12, Longmeadow addition, Porter township, $1.

F. M. and Linnie Stewart to Stephen A. Stewart, lot 20, Linwod addition, Porter township, $1.

George and Anna Gallagher to David Cottle, 1-8 acre Harrison township, $1.

Mary Gabler, et al., to J. F. Menke et al., trustees of the First United Brethren church, lot 39 Amanda Pursell addition, $1.

Henry Larcamp et al., to J. F. Menke et al., trustees of the First United Brethren church, lot 40, Amanda Pursell addition, $3,900.

Fire Does $2,000 Damage To Portsmouth Engine Co. Plant

A lurid spotch, noticed by Officer George Harding, sharply outlined against the snow-covered hills of the West Side, led to the discovery of a costly fire at the machine shop of The Portsmouth Engine company, Fourth and Jefferson streets, this morning at 2:20 o'clock.

The entire roof of the machine shop and tool room of this concern was destroyed. A large quantity of leather belting and pulley hangings were also ruined.

None of the machinery was damaged as far as could be ascertained last night. The total damage from fire was placed at about $2,000 by Fire Chief George Koerner. It is covered by insurance.

There were many strange features about the fire, which tend to create an impression among the firemen that it was of incendiary origin.

The machine shop and tool house had not been used for several days, and the fire started near the roof. A large pile of oil waste was found near there.

Officer Harding walked around the plant shortly before two o'clock and there was no evidence of fire. The patrolman walked down Jefferson street to Second and up Second street to Lynn's livery barn.

Here he found that the undertaking wagon had started out on a trip and had an accident. While assisting the driver to repair the wagon Officer Harding glanced over toward the Portsmouth Engine company's plant and saw the red flare, outlined against the snow.

The alarm was sounded. The Seventh Street and East End Fire companies responded. This was at 2:20 o'clock. In just one hour the fire was out. Twelve hundred feet of hose was used in fighting the flames, which had gained considerable headway before discovered.

The machine shop is a one-story brick structure, the roof of which was constructed in saw tooth fashion, so as to allow maximum lighting facilities. A large quantity of valuable machinery is used in the shop.

The belting arrangements were destroyed. But the machinery was not injured by the heat. Neither was the concrete floor cracked.

Adjoining the machine shop and tool room is the wood working department and across the street is the foundry.

Seven Tires Stolen; Two Men Are Held

Seven automobile tires were stolen from the Harvey O. Lindsey garage, 1664 Highland avenue, the fore part of the week. Two men were arrested by the police Wednesday night and are being held on a charge of larceny, in connection with the theft.

The two men are Melvin Jenkins, notorious thief and James Gregg, alias Craig, the father of the imbecile boy, Lennie Gregg, who caused the county officials considerable trouble not long ago.

Sergeant John Smith has information that the two men disposed of the tires to Dan Labold, local junk dealer.

Part of the tires were stolen Sunday evening and the rest on Monday evening.

K Boys Sent To Jail

Following a summary Military court, held at the Company K armory Wednesday evening, Elven Hodge and Shirley Ruel, two privates, were sentenced to the county jail for a period of fifteen days. Capt. W. J. Keyes conducted the court proceedings. The boys were tried on charges of disorderly conduct, Capt. Keyes says.

Is B. & O. S. W. Detective

Bird Benner, a former policeman, who had been employed on the C. & O. N. bridge, in course of construction at Sciotoville, has accepted a position as detective with the B. & O. S.W. and he left Thursday for Chillicothe to take up his new work. His headquarters will be in Athens.

Do You Remember?

These Things Happened Twenty-five Years Ago

When John Hanna, who at one time was a prominent printer and publisher of Portsmouth, died at his home in Chicago. He was in partnership with Stephen P. Drake while the Tribune and Clipper were being published, and later with A. McFarland, who published The Daily Tribune. He was also publisher of the Circleville Herald and the Chillicothe Metropolis. In Portsmouth he lived in the J. C. Hibbs home on Front street.

When Sherrard Johnson, youngest child in the Sam Johnson household on Second street, was suffering with scarlet fever. His was the third case in the family.

When the betrothal of A. Schapiro, local rabbi, and Miss Celia Schloss was announced in the Synagogue. The bride was a daughter of Mathias Schloss, of Chillicothe street.

When H. H. Bostwick received an injury to his left eye while repairing a sewing machine Friday, Feb. 26.

When Means and Smith were building a stone and frame dwelling for Conrad Staker on Pine Creek.

When Willard J. Kelley and Miss Lucy Whitman, of near Haverhill, were married Wednesday, Feb. 24, by Mayor Hall.

When word was received of the death of Miss Helen Davis, youngest daughter of Rev. F. S. Davis, who was stationed at Sixth Street church prior to Rev. Fagan. Miss Davis died in New Lexington, O.

Local Man Among Six Prisoners Who Escaped From Ironton Jail

Ironton, March 1—Defective bars on the county jail windows allowed six prisoners to escape Wednesday afternoon. The delivery was accomplished during the brief space of a half hour, while the prisoners were supposed to be taking their bath, and immediately after it was discovered by Sheriff Charles Hutchinson and Deputy Sheriff Dillon, they notified all surrounding cities and villages and then started in pursuit of the escaped prisoners.

Three of the men were caught last night at about 10:30 o'clock at Lawrence Furnace by Sheriff Charles Hutchinson, Chief of Police Mayne and Constable George McKee. The men were Jerry Cooper, the federal prisoner, Robert Johnson, notorious highway robber, Hamn McGarvey, who was in jail for a misdemeanor. They were brought back to this city and are now held at the county jail.

The prisoners who escaped were Andy Depriest, charged with cutting with intent to kill and under a penitentiary sentence; Jerry Cooper, charged with robbing the U. S. mails at Portsmouth during the holiday season; Gilbert McGarvey, serving a jail sentence for a misdemeanor and with but fifteen more days to serve; the notorious Robert Johnson, charged with highway robbery, and William Berry and John Hale, serving jail sentences for misdemeanors.

Sheriff Hutchinson, Deputy Sheriff Dillon, Ex-Sheriff Glenn R. Sloan, Chief of Police George Mayne and the entire police force of the city took up the pursuit of the men, and the river bank was closely guarded to prevent their escape into Kentucky. The West Virginia authorities were also notified to guard the river bank and prevent the flight of the prisoners to that state.

The prisoners escaped via a rear window, through a space that scarcely hardly eight inches in width.

Sheriff E. W. Smith of this city received word from Sheriff Hutchinson of Ironton last night to keep a close lookout for the men who are missing.

How slowly the hours pass to the unhappy.—Saurin.

POLICE UNEARTH NEW FORM OF GAMBLING IN THE CITY

A new form of gambling has been going on in Portsmouth, the police say they learned Wednesday night when a man registering as J. W. McGinniss was arrested. He is charged with circulating pocket sales books, which take the place of punch boards driven out of the city some time ago by Mayor Kaps.

These sales books contain numbers from 1 to 36 and in addition to each number winning a prize of some kind there is a grand prize. Mayor Kaps stated today that each book would bring $8.25 if sold and the material given away he said was not worth more than $2. McGinnis had already circulated 60 books and was in line for a clean up in the city if the police had not arrested him. McGinnis was picked up on Chillicothe street last night by Capt. Roma Walker. His arrest following an all day search in which the entire police force took part so determined was Mayor Kaps that the distributor of these cards should be apprehended.

McGinnis told Mayor Kaps that he had been here two weeks and was representing a Pittsburgh firm. He admitted that he had circulated the pocket sales books among women and young girls, being particularly anxious to place them in the hands of girls, who were asked to dispose of them among their friends. When they sold a book they received a wrist watch attached to a leather belt. Mayor Kaps says the outfit was not worth 50 cents.

"We simply unearthed a working punch board in Portsmouth in the arrest of McGinnis", Mayor Kaps said in police court this morning.

John Adams was the first president to occupy the White House, and it was said of Abigail Adams, his wife, that she hung up the fatally wash in the east room.

PORTSMOUTH MAN TELLS ABOUT THE FOOD RIOTS IN NEW YORK CITY

From the standpoint of a visitor, New York up until Sunday, last, was much more excited over the food riots than the submarine crisis. This was before the present situation was brought about.

H. Glenn Duis, who went to New York several days ago to purchase goods for the Marting Dry Goods Company, writes to a local friend:

"I was down to Brooklyn bridge but there were no marines on duty—only a couple of blue coats.

"Neither did I get to see the "Vaterland", as I found that all of the German ships were lying over at Hoboken, N. J., and it was too late yesterday as well as too cold, to make the trip.

"Food riots are occupying most of the attention of the citizens here, now. Ralph Marting and I saw about a dozen speakers talking to a big crowd at Madison Square Saturday evening.

"The father and mother of a New York salesman, who makes Portsmouth frequently, had rather a harrowing experience not long ago. They had motored down on the East Side to a fish market to buy some fish, believing that the fish would be much better there.

"It seemed that the foreign women there had been boycotting the fish markets on account of the raise in price. But no trouble was expected by the man and woman.

"As the two came out of the fish market, a crowd of women rushed them. One pulled a handful of hair out of the lady's head. The two managed to make their way to the automobile, but not before they were pretty badly used up."

Cox Favors Bill To Strengthen Monopoly Of Private Utilities

(Bulletin)

Columbus, O., March 1.—Attorney General McGhee in a written opinion declared today the pending Gilmore senate bill, No. 152, will, if passed, in effect wreck the Valentine anti-trust law.

Columbus, O., March 1—The Gilmore senate bill to strengthen the monopoly of private utilities throughout Ohio today had the endorsement of Governor Cox. "I am for the bill and will sign it if it gets through the legislature" said Cox.

The measure provides that no new public utility can be started to compete with one already established unless the state utilities commission, appointed by the governor, gives it permission to do so. If passed, the bill will make it practically impossible for new electric light companies to start or for new gas companies to enter cities because the burden of proof will largely lie on the new companies to show that the rates of the companies already in the field are too high and their service below standard.

Municipally owned utilities are not affected by the measure.

The bill is slated to come to a vote in the upper house today.

The railroad fight to boost passenger fares in the state was under way today. Representative Freiner, Vinton county, author of the present two cent fare law, was lining up opposition to the bill introduced late yesterday by Hunter, of Franklin.

Legislators opposed to the boost intimated today they will put it up to Cox to give him an opportunity to go on record either for or against the measure.

"There goes old Tightpurse, the millionaire. They say he landed in this town fifteen years ago with just 85 in his pockets."

"Yes, and he hasn't spent it yet."—Stray Stories.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Susan Copelnad

The Athens Messenger Tuesday said:

Mrs. Susan Copeland, 84, died yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cyrus Hoisington, near Fisher. Mrs. Copeland fell several days ago and fractured her hip. Death resulted within a few days.

Mrs. Copeland leaves two daughters, Mrs. Hoisington, with whom she lived, and Allie, of Portsmouth, and one son, John, of New England.

F. C. Yates Funeral

The funeral of F. C. Yates, N. & W. brakeman who sustained injuries Tuesday afternoon that resulted in his death at Hempstead hospital Wednesday morning, will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 from the home, 2530 Gallia street. Rev. Charles R. Oakley of the First Christian church will have charge of the last rites. Interment will be in Greenlawn.

Good sense is as different from genius as perception is from invention, yet, though distinct qualities, they frequently subsist together.

Nature paints the best part of the picture, carves the best part of the statue, builds the best part of the house and speaks the best part of the oration.—Emerson.

Mr. Baker Suffers Fall

Fred J. Baker, former court bailiff, had a small gash cut in his head Wednesday afternoon when he fell on the iron cellar door in front of the Central Hardware company, Second and Washington streets. The snow on the iron door caused him to slip and fall. Baker lives at 1415 Seventeenth street.

GO OVER PLANS FOR IRONTON NEW HOTEL

Ironton, O., March 1.—The directors of the new Hotel Corporation held a meeting Wednesday afternoon to discuss the plans of the new building which is to be erected soon.

Architect W. B. Richards, of the Architect firm of Richards, McCarty, Bulford & Co., of Columbus, was present and went over some tentative plans of the proposed hotel with them. Mr. Richards has not yet been employed as the architect of the building, but will present some plans for the approval of the directors. Mr. Richards was the architect of the new court house and it is putting it mildly to say that his work in that connection was highly pleasing.

Jitney Bus Driver Held For Deaths

Lima, O., March 1.—Peter Dailey, owner and driver of a jitney bus which was struck by a fast Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton freight train last night is held in jail today on the charge of manslaughter for the deaths of five of the bus' occupants. The dead are: Peter Welenches, James O'Connor, Jerry O'Connor, Samuel Bailey and Donald Crites. The fatally hurt: Oscar M. Lease and Louis Schupp. All live in Lima.

The men were returning from work at the Ohio Steel Foundry Company, when the bus was hit. Seven wer seriously hurt and two slightly injured.

The seriously injured are:

Antonio Montzelle, 42, scalp cut, left shoulder broken; George Gordon, 31, bruised; Antonio Cira shoulder broken; Charles Henson, 30, ankle broken; Lester Felker, 33, legs injured; Frank Dennis, 40, ankle broken; R. E. Carter, 40, shoulder broken; Ross Pepple, 24 and Driver Daily were slightly bruised.

Coroner D. H. Hay will conduct a hearing today to fix the responsibility for the accident.

Witnesses say Daily was racing the train to the crossing. Engineer Edward Keef, of No. 56, the fast freight which hit the auto, says he didn't see the car until it was on the tracks. The accident occurred at a grade crossing, but the track is slightly elevated and in plain view for two squares in each direction.

When the smash came, Daily jumped.

Others in the auto were carried four hundred feet by the impact. Some of the bodies were shattered and were picked up in portions.

The public utilities commission has promised an investigation of the crossing.

Mrs. C. H. Foltz, of Vanceburg, who is employed in the millinery department of the Anderson Brothers Company, is ill with measles at the Y. W. C. A.

EASTERN PART OF COUNTY PAYS THREE TIMES AS MUCH TAXES AS WESTERN PART OF COUNTY

Not considering the taxes collected in Portsmouth and New Boston for the first half of 1916, the eastern part of the county pays just about three times as much as the western part of the county. In size the two portions are about equal.

This comparison is shown on a study of the distribution sheet, which was recently completed by Gilbert F. Dodds, county treasurer. This shows that the eastern part pays $95,931.79 and the western part, $32,940.58.

The figures used are:

Eastern Part

Bloom, $6,996.42; South Webster district, $2,888.93; South Webster, $1,837.41; Clay township, $12,420.03; Green township, $12,185.74; Haverhill school district, $1,159.78; Harrison township, $5,132.32; Harrisonville school district, $396.14; Jefferson township, $1,701.86; Madison township, $6,708.57; California school district, $8,136; Porter township, $7,980.40; Wheelersburg school district, $12,847.79; Valley township, $14,278.90; Vernon township, $4,152.10; Vernon Special school District, $55.49, and Sciotoville, $8,281.46.

Western Part

Brush Creek township, $2,421.51; Owego school district $1,796.51; Owego, $1,134.14; Morgan township, $2,879.79; Nile township, $1,[illegible]; Rarer Vista school district, $729.22; Green school district, $2,[illegible]; Harden $1,018.76; Rush township $[illegible]; Union township, $3,[illegible]; Washington township, $3,[illegible] and Camp Creek school district, $62.24.

Portsmouth corporation pays $24,755.29 and New Boston corporation, $30,247.98.